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4/5/47 SATURDAY:

A terribly rainy day - was raining hard when I got up about 7:45 & rained hard most all day. I put the cabinet door back on first thing & then helped Mary with breakfast - after breakfast I went back to work painting the kitchen cabinets - Mary took Babi & Mary Lou over to Binghamton for their dancing lesson at 11:00 - didn't get back until about 1:00 - I got a good start on putting the bare coat on the kitchen. Helped Mary some with lunch & then did some more work on the kitchen this afternoon. Mary went down town & did some shopping - I had her get me some micramel paint for the kitchen at Hills & McLean this morning - a gallon of White Micramel \$9.80. That is a terrible price - but if it is good stuff it will be worth it. Babi & Mary Lou spent most of the afternoon painting Easter eggs - they did a swell job on them. I helped Mary with supper - the kitchen was sort of a mess with me painting in it. Did the dishes after supper & then scrubbed the floor & the cellar steps - they sure were plenty dirty. Mary had called Mr. Naylor of the Kingston Oil Burner place

in Binghamton - he called back this evening - I had quite a chat with him & tentively ordered an oil burner to ~~be~~^{be} installed this summer - it will cost us \$395.⁰⁰. Mary & I went over to Fran & Jim Stamijin' to night - left about 8:30 - Fran & Jim had a party for Carrie & Howille Marx who were down from Rochester to spend the weekend with them. Bernie & Max Hayer, Marge & Bob Parmelee & three other couple, all relatives of Marge & Bob came with them - which made up the party - it was a funny group. We danced in their basement - Oh Yea - Elene & Midge Watts were there - Elene taught us how to do a square set & we also danced the Virginia Reel - it was sort of fun. Fran had a real spread for us about 1:00 - hamburger cake & coffee. Mary & I didn't get home until after 2:00 - To-bed 2:30.

4/6/47 SUNDAY:

A beautiful day for Easter - it just couldn't have been nicer. Warm & bright. Got up at 7:30 - had to hurry around to be ready to go down to Sunday School at 9:30. Helped Mary with breakfast &

waxed the kitchen floor. It was so nice out I decided to work the car - only had about 25 minutes - I actually hosed it off & sponged it down in 22 minutes. Boy - I sure did a fine job on it. I really put in a long two hours but was ready for Sunday School at 9:30 - Dore Bibby stopped in to get the girls but I told him we were going down. Mary, Barb, Mary Lou & I all went to Sunday School - we had a joint Easter Service - all classes meeting in the church auditorium - it was almost a full church. We all stayed to Church - They were expecting a real crowd - Clarence Manning had set up his P.A. System & had the loud speakers in the basement - where they had seats all arranged to take care of the overflow from the church itself. This was the first they had ever done that. The church was packed but I learned afterward that only 5 people sat in the basement. Henry gave a really wonderful Easter Sermon - he sure gave his all to put over a real message on "The difference Easter makes" Mary & I waited after church to see Della, she had a new hat with rose buds all over it, quite a breath of spring. We didn't get home until about 12:45. Bob Mjinner was here

with the part I had ordered from Poughkeepsie
 for our typewriter in the office. - I put on my
 old clothes & just as I got down cellar to
 finish the job of mopping up the floor Dame
 Bibby stopped in with a new Eastman 35 camera.
 He wanted me to help him & give him a
 lesson on how to use it. I loaded it for
 him & also took a couple of pictures with it.
 It is a nice little camera. We had to hurry
 with dinner to get Babs & Mary Lou out to the
 Country Club for the Easter Party - as soon as I
 finished eating I dressed & drove them out to the
 club at 2:00. Called Ben Tutbill from the club
 about borrowing a projector - he didn't have it at home
 so I gave up the idea of getting it. Also called Ray
 Jarvis & told him I didn't use the lawn roller yesterday.
 Ray told me Ann had a cold so they weren't com-
 ing to the Easter Party - Ray asked me to get
 an Easter Basket for Ann so I got one from
 Frank Johnston - Vice Pres. of the Club. Dame stopped
 out to the club with Caroline & Martha - I took them
 in & got them seated with Babs & Mary Lou.
 Drove back home - got Ray's lawn roller out &
 put some water in it to weight it down and
 rolled the lawn all except a small part that
 was too wet. It took me about an hour

& a half - I was just all in when I got finished. Mary had laid down for a nap. After I cooled off it cleaned up a bit & about 4:15 Paul & Vivian Taber and Billie & Mary arrived. I had to get Babs & Mary Lou so we all got into the Buick & drove out to the Country Club. The Easter Party was over - Babs & Mary Lou were waiting in the upper lounge for us - Mary Lou had won one of the childrens games, carrying an egg on a spoon & had gotten a beautiful big basket with a bunny & a lot of eggs. She was pleased. I got some pictures of the group coming out of the Club. Came home - took a couple more pictures - it had gotten very windy so we didn't stay outside long. Showed the film the train platform, Billie got a big kick out of it, but it was a bit too complicated for him to run - he seemed a bit afraid of the controller. Had a nice chat with Paul & got up to date on a lot of the Jr. Chamber matters. - I believe Paul feels I haven't helped him enough this year - I somehow got that idea - I told him there were plenty of good fellows who are still Jr. Chamber age who he should stir into action. Mary had a well supper for us - bean & cold cuts. After supper Paul & I looked over some Jr Chamber files. I

brought home from the office - Paul took some of the things with him. I showed the folks the movies & slides I took on my trip to Edmonton last June. Paul & his family left about 9:15 - I put on old clothes & helped Mary with the dishes - took out the garbage & ashes. Then read the Sunday Paper. To-bed 11:20. Oh Yee! Mary made sort of a birthday party out of supper - she had gotten a big birthday cake for me over town & we had it for supper.

4/7/47 MONDAY:

My 37th. Birthday - A dull cold day - what a change from Yesterday. It was up to around 70 Yesterday & it was down to about 40 this morning again. Up at 7:00 - - Drove down to the office at 8:15 - had a very busy morning - sat in on part of the Induction Session for new Employees at 9:00 - Walt Harris came over & talked to the group - it was the first induction session we had had in several months. Received a letter from Henry L. A. Forester this morning along with a carbon of a letter he had written to Mr. Watson asking that Arton, Mrs. Almon

& I attend The Apprenticeship Conv. in Vermont
 in June - I showed the letter to Van &
 he suggested I talk with Harris, which I did.
 He agreed I should write Forrestal & tell him
 Mac was representing IBM at the convention. I
 drove home at 12:00 & had lunch with Mary
 & the girls - I got a birthday card from Betty &
 from Mable. Had some more of my birthday
 cake for lunch - it sure up see my reducing
 diet. After lunch I drained the water out of
 the lawn roller & loaded it into the trunk of
 the car. Mary & the girls were with me - I took
 it back to Jarvis' - drove back around by Vertal
 & over to Endicott - I got back to the office about
 1:30. - Oh Yr - I called Mac Almon this
 morning about the letter from Forrestal - he had
 received one too. Mac had a bad cold - didn't
 feel well so I told him to go home & rest.
 About 4:30 Owen called from W.H.Q. - I had heard
 he had left for Spokane Wash. but I guess
 he doesn't leave until to-morrow. Dwight
 had a half dozen different ones from our
 Dept. of Edu. on the phone - He had called
 Blaschke first & I was called over to Blaschke
 office to talk with him - I asked him
 about the letter from Forrestal - he said

he had talked with him on the phone. Boy! Arton sure doesn't like Forestral - he assured me I wouldn't have to attend the conference & he wasn't either. Dwayne had some things to take up with me - first the American Association for Adult Education at West Point on May 12 to 15 - had to be changed as far as our representatives were concerned. He is afraid we may be criticized if all of our Gen. Educ. Group attended & asked me to change the plans and have only two attend. I told Dwayne I had just made definite plans to combine our Spring Work Conference with the group while we were at West Point. He suggested I have the work conference at Endicott. Now all of those plans had to be changed. He also told me about a discussion he had had with Mr. Watson in which he voiced his displeasure of our language training - he claimed we haven't trained enough people in Foreign Language and instructed Arton to have one or more classes in foreign language started at W.H.S. by the time they have the ~~last~~ Stockholders Meeting the last of this month. Dwayne asked me to see Daly as soon as possible & get things lined up.

Dwayne is leaving by plane this evening
 to fly to the West Coast - to Spokane, Wash.
~~I don't think~~ Mary stopped down for me
 at 5:00 - I told her about Paton's call &
 planned with her to drive her & the
 children down to N.Y. to-morrow & go on in
 to N.Y.C. As soon as I got home - I put
 on my old clothes & went to work on the
 kitchen - Took all the cabinet doors off &
 took the hard ware off of them. Finished up
 putting on the flat white on the doors. Then
 after supper I went to work on the inside
 of the cabinets with a coat of semi-gloss.
 I like to paint but it sure takes a lot of
 time. Mary spent most of the evening iron-
 ing. She called Mother to-night & told
 her we would be down to-morrow night.
 We were a bit surprised that the call went
 thru since the telephone workers were on
 strike to-day. Mary said a man had handled
 the call thru the N.Y.C. exchange - apparently
 the operators are out on strike. I painted until
 about 11:00 - then cleaned up & got some
 things ready to leave for N.Y. to-morrow.
 To-bed 11:30.

4/8/47 TUESDAY:

Clear to-day but cool - got up about 7:00 - packed my bag before leaving for the office at 8:00. Went over to see Van first thing this morning & told him about Arton's call last evening or yesterday afternoon & about my plans to drive down to N. J. and to the W. H. Q. to see Drew Daly to-morrow. Van approved the whole plan & gave me some suggestion on starting the language classes at W. H. Q. - Van & I got talking about the matter of building - he still hopes to build as soon as he can get materials. I took the opportunity to ask him advice on the matter of financing our home - asked him what he thought about our selling some of our IBM stock - Mary has been talking about selling 20 shares to pay off part of the home. Jack said he certainly wouldn't advise selling IBM stock - he thought it might not look good for me in my position, in fact he advised my buying some stock - that is a share now & then just to show good faith in the company. Jack said he thought I had great opportunities with IBM & that I would be very foolish to do anything that would

jeopardize my opportunity. He even predicted I would be the next Dean of Education at Endicott. I told him - he was kidding, but that it was an interesting idea. - I was surprised to hear Jack say that when Ed Titus had sold some IBM stock - he was called in by one of the executives & asked why he was selling it. Jack also advised me to write Mr. Phillips if we sold the stock & tell him why we sold it. I told him better yet I would try to see Mr. Phillips while in N.Y.C. to-morrow. - At 9:00 we had a big school opening - actually 3 different groups - a customer class - a group of customer engineers from the field & 12 new engineering students. Walt Harkin spoke & Davison conducted the meeting. - I saw Bruce Buckler to-day again - Edna is still down at Parker Hospital & has been very ill - but is recovering - had a couple of operations. Had a busy day - drove home at 12:00 for lunch & got things lined up to leave for N.Y. Returned to the office about 1:30. Got out letters to my training men at the various locations announcing the change in the plans for our spring meeting. I got a piece of plastic - brute, from Bill Stoyt for Jack Maxium. Left the office about 3:45 - drove home

Mary & the girls helped me pack the car - we
 took the two ducks back to N.J. Took some
 pictures of them out on the beachtop. We
 left about 4:15 - got in some of the workers
 traffic going thru Binghamton, so I didn't
 make much time. It was a beautiful after-
 noon & evening - we stopped at the
 Purple Cow in Scranton for supper. My
 eyes bothered me some so I had Mary
 drive from there home. Got down to
 Mother V's about 9:15 - I called Quintana
 to check on the time the train left for
 N.Y.C. to-morrow morning. Called Dadi &
 got Russ - drove down to see Dad, Betty
 & Russ for a few minutes - stopped at
 Walch's & got some ice cream for the folks.
 I'm afraid I was off my diet again - Mother
 had some fresh peach pie & I couldn't resist
 it. Jack was pleased with the piece I
 had gotten for him. He showed
 me the new pedestal grinder he had
 gotten. Jack has several new sign pro-
 jects under way. Did some writing -
 & to-bed 11:30.

4/9/47 WEDNESDAY:

A very rainy day - got up at 5:45, Mary got up & made me a cup of coffee. About 6:40 Mary drove me down to the Lebanon Station. It was raining so I waited in the car. Got the 6:55 train - Sam Leigh still commutes into N.Y. City every day - I sat with Sam and had quite a chat - got up to date on the old home town - Sam didn't have anything good to say about it - he sure is a pessimist. It was still raining when we got in Jersey City - took the ferry over to Liberty Street. At N.Y.C. by 8:20 - I took a taxi up to Times Square & killed some time - then took a bus over to Madison Ave. & another taxi up to W.H.Q. - got there at 9:30. Ray Jawin was there with Drew Daly. I had Ray & Drew go down to the Club Room where we had a session on the matter of starting language classes at W.H.Q. There seemed to be a lot of problems to surmount. Ray & I stopped up to see Eleanor John about some correspondence and while there Mr. Kirk came by & said he wanted to see both of us in his office. Ray & I thought we were in for a real

session explaining why we were both in N.Y.C.
 We had to wait about an hour to get in
 to see Kirk. Lewis was with him. - We
 were both pleased to learn that he really
 wanted to see us about some material
 Chamberline had given him - Ray had told
 me Chamberline was coming in to see Kirk
 this morning about serving on some committee.
 Charlie did ask us why we were both
 away from Endicott - asked whether we were
 tired of the scenery in Endicott - I told
 Charlie why we were both there & he seemed
 satisfied with the reasons. I took the oppor-
 tunity to ask his opinion on the matter of
 starting language classes. He took Ray & I
 to task on the language classes for awhile -
 but did give me his ideas which was what
 I wanted. All in all we had a very
 pleasant session with Kirk - in fact it
 was one of the most pleasant sessions I ever
 had with him. Ray went back to Hotel
 Pennsylvania to the meetings of the N.Y. Vocational
 & Practical Arts Association. Drew told me Ray's
 talk went over very well yesterday but there
 were only about 25 people present. Drew & I
 saw Garland Briggs and had quite a

session with him - got his ideas on the language
 classes - also asked him about class room space
 in the house on 56th St. - Garland sure is a good
 sport - he really gave us some help - made a
 number of very good suggestions. He is very
 much interested. - Oh Yr! Kirk brought
 up a matter this morning that was a bit
 embarrassing. He asked Ray & I whether we had
 a picture of Vice Pres. Nichols in our office. I had
 to tell Kirk that no I had taken it down.
 He asked me why & I told him I had
 seen his picture taken down other places so
 I simply followed suit. Kirk then said that
 somewhere in the field someone had gotten
 the idea that an order had been issued to
 take all of them down - he was quite dis-
 turbed about this. He also mentioned that
 Starbuck had told someone in the field to take
 the pictures down. I told him I knew nothing
 about that. Apparently Watson had become
 disturbed about seeing Nichols pictures missing.
 Drew & I had lunch in the cafeteria - ate
 with Garland. After lunch we returned to Drew's
 office & I called Raymond & had a nice chat
 with him about Starbuck - he had received the
 text I sent him & was also very much

pleased with the letter I sent Dr. Hutchinson.
 Called Mr. Philpott & asked to see him - had
 a chance to spend a few minutes with
 him in which I asked his advice about
 repairing the house. Of course! He advised
 me very emphatically not to sell any of our
 IBM Stock. I was a little disappointed in
 Mr. Philpott - he seemed terribly cold & distant,
 seemed as though he was trying to impress
 me with his importance which really wasn't
 necessary. He had to hurry to an executive
 meeting so I didn't have long with him.
 I do value his advice - he suggested we
 have Mother take a mortgage & then borrow
 money on our IBM Stock. That way it would
 help Mother & also that interest would reduce
 our taxes. Tried to see Kirk this P.M. about
 the Home on 56th St. but he was tied up. Ruby
 called back & suggested I send him a memo
 since he would probably be tied up all day
 to-morrow too. Ray Jarvis called back & told
 me there was no definite program at the
 Annual Dinner of the N.Y. State Vocational & Practical
 Arts Association ^{to-night} so I decided not to go. Charlie
 Love called & asked me to go to dinner
 with him so I accepted. Drew & I had

a busy afternoon on the language class situation. Saw Mr. Wilson & Mr. Sabin in the World Trade Div. & had quite a chat. They were both interested & are calling the whole dept. to-gether to-morrow to tell them of the two classes - one in Spanish & one in French. Drew & I decided we could start an advanced class in both of these subjects. He already had the names of several employees who had enrolled in advanced courses but they were never offered. After getting all of our ideas to-gether it looked quite hopeful - Drew contacted Dr. Ebert & he is getting an instructor from Columbia - Drew thinks he will be able to start the two classes next week - which will be well ahead of the date for the Stockholders Meeting which is the 29th. I called a man at the Veterans Administration Office in N.Y.C., a Mr. Marquette, & got further help on interpretation of the laws on benefits to Veterans for the General Letter. I was surprised to learn from Drew that Norm Collister had been put out as Sales Manager of the E.T. Div. and that Wisner Miller at N.Y.C. had been made Sales Manager. Drew also told me that Davidson who was Norm's asst. was leaving since he didn't get the job. I was surprised to hear

That Miller got it. Went up to Charlie
 Love's office about 5:45 - he had several
 fellows to see so I had to wait awhile.
 We finally got out about 6:30 - Charlie
 has a very nice office on the 16th floor.
 It was the first I had been in it. He
 gave me one of his friendly bawling outs
 for having not stopped in to see him before.
 Charlie & I walked around to a little steak
 shop on 58th St. for dinner. Had a fairly
 good steak. Charlie is living in an apartment
 & his family is up in the country at Buxton
 until they can get into their new home at
 Livingston on the Hudson in about a
 month. I enjoyed the chat with Charlie - he
 is all thrilled about the \$395.⁰⁰ Lucia the gang
 in Chicago gave him when he left - also
 he has a new Buick Road Master on order -
 expects to get it in a few weeks. I asked
 Charlie about Norm Collier but he didn't have
 much to say. He simply said - you
 know they have been having a lot of
 trouble with the typewriter. - It looks to
 me that Norm was the 'fall guy'. I
 sure was sorry to hear it! After eating
 Charlie & I walked around a bit - it was

Too late for me to get the 7:30 bus so I decided
 to get a train at 8:35. Charlie & I did a little
 window shopping - had a look at some foreign cars.
 Charlie didn't have anything particularly to do -
 said he thought he would go back to the office
 & do some work. I left about 8:00 - took the
 IRT subway down town. Charlie walked over to
 the Subway entrance with me. Got off at
 Fulton St. & walked over to the Liberty St.
 Ferry. Had time to call Mary & ask her to
 meet me at Somerville. With the telephone
 strike on I was surprised that I could get
 the call thru - I had some difficulty but it
 did go thru. The 8:48 train out of Jersey
 City - stopped at just about every crossroad
 on the way out to Somerville - got out there
 about 10:06 - Mary & Mother pulled into the
 Somerville station just as the train did. Had
 a lot to tell Mary & Mother - they had done
 a lot of calling to-day. Mother had gone to
 the bank & got the \$7,000.⁵⁰ for the mort-
 gage on our home. We stopped at Sheridan's
 Milk Bar for some ice cream & got home
 about 11:00. I was so dead tired - I went
 right to-bed. To-bed 11:15 -

4/10/47 THURSDAY:

A beautiful bright warm day. Got up at 7:00 - had bk. with the folks at Mother's place & left for Endicott about 9:00. It was a beautiful drive - I stopped for gas but we didn't bother stopping for lunch. Mary drove from Scranton on home - got here about 1:00 - had some lunch as soon as we got settled. Babe & Mary Lou were all excited about the Atomic Bomb Rings which came in the mail - they had sent in cereal box tops & a dime for them. I got back the slides I had taken at Walker's & at Billy's - they turned very well. Drove down to the office about 2:00 - Mary went along & took the car. Ray Jawn had left to attend Ralph LaBouette's Father's funeral - I was just too late to go with him. It was good I didn't for Van stopped over & I had quite a chat with him telling him what had happened in N.Y.C. at W.H.P. yesterday. He was particularly disturbed about Dick asking us about Mr. Nichols picture. Van had heard about it from Blackie - Ray had told him this morning. Blackie

had also called Harve so Nichols picture will now go up all over the place. Just to be completely safe I took down Kirk's & Tom Jis pictures, leaving just Mr. Watson picture. You can't be wrong that way. I also had a talk with Blackie - he was quite disturbed about Kirk's statement that Perry Starbuck was telling the field office to take down Nichols picture. Ray had told Blackie about our session with Kirk. Blackie is afraid Perry may be in real trouble. I hope not! I went over my last expense statement with Blackie - the one he sent me for March. We couldn't figure out the amount it showed for my salary for this past January as compared for January a year ago. It showed an increase of \$233.37 - or \$833.37 / month as my present salary. That we figured represented \$10,000.00 / year & the increase Kirk had announced to me was for \$100.00 / month or from \$600.00 to \$700.00 per month. I told Blackie the checks had not been reflecting this increase to \$10,000.00 but that I would check it with our slips to night at home. Mary stopped by for me about 5:15 we hurried right home & I got into my old clothes & went right to work on the

paint job in the kitchen. Mary had taken the gallon of 'off-white' back & had gotten a gallon of white en-ameal. I had seen Mac Almon this afternoon - he had been painting his kitchen so I said I would stop over this evening to see it & Mac asked me to bring Mary - but after supper he called & told me his wife had been cleaning house & it wasn't for inspection so we didn't go over. I put in a full evening painting - put the white enamel on all of the cabinet doors. After supper & after Mary put the girls to-bed she helped me some painting the inside of the cabinets. Boy, that en-ameal sure does a swell job - the doors look like they had been given a coat of porcelain after I had finished. Worked right on up to 12:00 - got to-bed about 12:30.

4/11/47 FRIDAY:

Partly cloudy but warm to-day. Got up at 7:00 - drove down to the office at 8:00 - left the Buick at the garage to be greased & have the oil changed. Had a busy morning at the office. Mary & I had looked over the check slip last

night & we were both quite surprised to find I had been making \$10,000⁰⁰ a year since last Nov. - I kidded Mary about not keeping better track of my salary than to let a \$600⁰⁰/year increase come thru with out noticing it. Actually, what happened the increase Kirk gave me instead of being \$100⁰⁰ per month was \$233⁰⁰/month or \$2800⁰⁰ per year. I explained this to Blachie just by telling him I gave the check to Mary each time & second that we didn't understand just how much was being withheld for taxes. Actually the semi-monthly check had been increased only to \$354⁰⁰. Boy, that sure is a nice salary! I had a lot of correspondence to get out today - called Drew Daley at W.H.Q. about the language course he is starting - also called Camp in the World Trade Div. about the 36 enrollments from Amsterdam, Netherlands in our Elementary Electronics Extension Course - he assured me those fellows were all custom engineers & that they all spoke English. That is a large number to enroll for one office & especially from a foreign country. Drove home at noon & had lunch with the folks. Mary took me back to the office so she could

have the car to go to the Beauty Parlor. I
 had her get another gallon of white en-
 email - we liked the job it did on the
 kitchen & cabinets so well we decided to get
 more while we could ^{while} if ~~it~~ it does cost \$9.80
 per gallon. I received a letter from Dr.
 Hutchinson this afternoon in answer to the one
 I wrote him about Herbert - it was a very
 nice letter stating he would do all he
 could to get Herbert in Lafayette but that
 in as much as he was only in the 3rd.
 fifth of his class a lot would depend on the
 results of his College Entrance Board Exam. -
 I mailed the duplicate slides & two movie
 films to Hawaii to Bill Leon yesterday -
 I sent the film on "Witch from Producer to
 Consumer" & the film of miscellaneous shots of
 my Dr. Chandler trip to Rochester & to Edmonton
 & Milwaukee. I wrote Bill a long letter
 to-day in answer to the one I received
 from him last January. Mary help me
 up terribly after work to-night - I had
 expected her to pick me up at 5:15 &
 she never came until 6:00. Oh yes! Al
 Davis called about 3:30 from Johnson City
 & said he would like to see Paul Robert &

me. I called Paul & he stayed over to my office at 4:30 - Al arrived about the same time. Al was interested in organizing another Quality Control class for this fall & wants Paul to assist with the instruction. - I waited for Mary over a half hour out on the street & then I went back in the office. I was sure mad when she finally came at 6:00 - she had been under the dryer at the hair dresser & didn't know ~~to~~ what the time was - or at least that was her excuse. Came home & got right into my old clothes & went to work on the paint job in the kitchen. Mary & I gave up the idea of going to the Triple S Meeting at the Church to-night in favor of getting further along with our paint job. I called Ralph Walker this afternoon & explained we wouldn't make the meeting. Ralph was to serve as moderator for the symposium they were conducting. I would like to have gone. Mary helped me some with the painting. She put enamel in all the drawers & on some of the lower shelves. I painted the Chinese-Red on the inside of all the cabinet doors & on the edge of the shelves. It sure looked good. Mary & I got so interested in painting we had to stop. Didn't go to bed until about 12:30.

4/12/47 SATURDAY.

A beautiful bright day but a bit windy. Got up about 7:45 - had a big job first thing this morning getting all the hardware back on the cabinet doors & mounting them back on the cabinets. Mary & I were both much pleased with the results of our efforts. Mary put some of the stuff back into the cabinets - then about 10:30 she took the girls over to Binghamton to their tap dancing lesson. I spent the morning doing some more painting in the kitchen. Was surprised to see all the Walkers come in about 12:30 - the place sure was a mess. Ralph & Della came in & I gave them the slides I had taken at their home of Marilyn. Mrs. How stayed out door with Marilyn - I took a few pictures of her. Mary & the girls didn't get back until about 1:45. Mary got some lunch for me. After lunch I put on all the lower cabinet doors and had Babe help me clean up the kitchen. It sure is beginning to look well with the new paint job. It was such a swell afternoon I decided to put on some of the screens - I washed several of them & put them on. Babe & Caroline Bibby played on the blacktop with the foot mobile. They were having a wild time

shating until, as I was putting a storm window
 away in the garage, I noticed a lot of marks in
 the dust on the back of the new Buick. I took
 them both to task for it - Caroline had a stick
 in her hand & admitted she had done it with the
 stick. Boy, I was so mad I could nearly have killed
 her - I took the stick away from her & gave
 her a sound sock with it & sent her home. Then
 I tried to remove the scratches by using some singi
 cleaner - I was able to get most of them off by
 rubbing off a lot of the paint. I was so mad I
 came in the house & gave Barbara a good
 sound spanking for standing by & letting Caroline
 do it - I blame Barbara as much as Caroline.
 She better not let it happen again - I gave both
 Barbara & Mary Lou a real lecture about help-
 ing me keep the car nice. So far they haven't
 shown much interest in it - but from now on
 they ~~are~~ are "or else". Just after the friends
 had gotten settled down - who should drive in
 but Charlie Love & his family - including Hazel.
 We were all surprised to see them. They had
 been down to Dr. Welch's - apparently some one in
 the family is being doctor'd by Dr. Welch & it must
 be Louise for she looks just terrible - lost a lot
 of weight & didn't look at all good to me.

Young Charlie & David however are a picture of health & of course Hazel is always the same. I hadn't seen the boys in a couple of years - they sure have grown & are two lovely children. Charlie & the folks all stopped in for a few minutes - I showed them the job I had done on the kitchen. Took Charlie & the boys down to see the train outfit - the boys almost went wild over it & Charlie seemed quite amazed over it - he had never seen it before. Hazel & Louise came down for a look too. They couldn't stay long for they had to be back at Bandell for dinner this evening. I took a couple of pictures of Charlie & the boys before they left. After supper I continued the work on the kitchen - painted some of the little odd pieces - about 9:30 I gave up painting & developed three 35 m.m. films. I had to get caught up some with my photographic hobby. To-bed 12:30 - Mary went on to bed about 11:00.

4/13/47 SUNDAY:

Partly cloudy & cool to-day. Got up about 7:30. I decided to ^{do} some more painting in the kitchen instead of going to Sunday School. Mary got ready & took the girls to Sunday School. I cleaned the breakfast nook

& put on a coat of flat white. I talked Mary about
 the paint peeling off - being put on during Sunday
 school & church - but if we are ever going to get
 the job done I'll have to give up some of the
 other things I've been doing. Mary also took the
 Bible girls down to Sunday school - she
 got back about 11:30. Had dinner about
 12:00 - I read the papers & then about 1:50
 I went out & washed the car. About 2:30
 Mary, Bob, Mary Lou & I left for ~~the~~ ^{stopped at Betty's} ~~the~~ ^{left} ~~the~~ ^{slid}
 Hospital to see Edna Buckler - we stopped
 at Bob Skidman's new home to ask Bob &
 Jan to go with us but Bobbie had come down
 with chicken pox to-day. We had a nice
 ride down to Sayre. We found Edna in good
 spirits - she had been at the Hospital for 3
 weeks. She has had quite a bad time - some
 of her trouble was her liver. Edna said she
 felt so bad she was afraid she was going to
 die. Had some fun kidding Edna. Left the
 hospital about 4:30 - stopped in Union at
 Kuchan's & Simpson's sandwich shop for a bite to
 eat. Dick Ludwig & his family stopped in
 while we were there. Mary & the girls want-
 ed to go to a movie but I insisted we come
 on home. Did some more painting the car -

ing. Put some Chinese red on some of the kitchen trimmings & then just before going to bed I tried the Dutch Blue Enamel for floors on the 4th ^{cellar} steps going down to the first landing. It sure is a pretty color - Mary & I both like it very much. Mary & I figured out our State Income Tax to-night. To bed 11:30.

4/14/47 MONDAY:

Partly cloudy & cool to-day. Got up at 7:00 - Babe & Mary Lou rode down to school with me on my way to work. Stopped at the Post Office & mailed the Auto Canyon back to the manufacturer to be fixed & also mailed our income tax. - Perry Starbuck called me first thing this morning to get the whole story on Kirk inquiring about Vice Pres. Nichols' picture being taken down. Perry admitted he had told several field managers that the picture had been taken down at the plant. Perry was quite disturbed about it all & said he was calling Kirk to get the whole thing settled to-day. Had a session with Van, Earl Hege, Bob Edwards & Ray Jarvis on the matter of room assignment in the school bldg. Van is moving his customer engineering class

into the school which gives Ray for room for the General Edu. Class. Ray & Van had discussed the whole matter last week. Van told me in private that Ray had gotten quite heated in the matter - Van said unless Ray could change his attitude he certainly couldn't recommend him for a better job. I tactfully brought the matter to Ray's attention later this morning - Ray only got about half way over it, but I believe I made him realize how important it was to his future. Had lunch with Ray at the cafeteria - drove down town after lunch, did some shopping & then drove home - got a belated birthday card from Jack & Dorothy in Aberdeen Wash. - They are looking forward to our visit in June. May drove me back to the office at 1:30 - I took in ~~the~~ my view master & the slide case. Bruce Buckner was interested in them - he is investigating the possibility of using the same dimension views for individual instruction. William Kenner sat in with me & discouraged Bruce on his idea - I agree with William that it would be too indomitable to her to use a three dimension view. Called Daley at W.H.Q. this P.M. - he is having some trouble getting instruction for his advanced

Spanish & French classes. He called back later & said Cis, Mr. Watson's sec. had called him & wanted to get in a beginning Spanish class - Cis had learned that most of the executive secretaries were joining the Advanced Spanish & French classes & he wanted to get into a class just in case Mr. Watson should inquire about his ability in foreign languages. I told Drew we certainly would not want to start any more classes at this time - even for Cis. ~~Ray~~ Ray Jarvis asked me to try to get him a Buick today - I stopped at the Buick Garage & talked with Claude - he told me it would be 6 months or longer - he still has a long list & the new ones aren't coming thru very well - the Buick plant in Flint was flooded in the recent heavy spring rains & that is holding them up. Mary picked me up at 5:15 - hurried home - I went back up to Mr. Snover & lowered the electric shield to mount the AAA emblem on the car. Keyes DeVenti came over & stayed with Bob & Mary Lou - at 6:15 Mary & I drove down & got off Della & Ralph and drove over to the Holiday Inn to the Lions Club zone meeting, Binghamton, Endicott & Oneonta. They had a full house. It was a very nice party.

Lion Walter C. Fisher, Third Vice-president, Lion International was our speaker - I gave a good men talk on Lionism. He was introduced by Henry M. Furlan from Albany - our District Gov. who tried to get me to run as deputy District Governor. I met Henry & also Walter after the dinner. There was dancing until 1:00 - it was my first time to try the dance floor at the Holiday Inn - Ralph, Della, Mary & I left about 10:45 - home at 11:00 - Rex had gone on home at 10:00 as we had instructed. Mary & I did the dishes that were left. To bed 12:00.

4/15/47 TUESDAY:

A beautiful spring day - got up at 6:45 - drilled the hole in the front bumper on my car & installed the AAA Emblem before breakfast so I could return the electric drill to Mr. Snover - We sent Babe & Mary Lou to school on the bus. Mary & I got ready to leave for Utica by 8:30. I drove over to leave the home key with Virginia Bibby as Mary had arranged to have Babe & Mary Lou wait at Bibby's after school until we got back. We found Virginia out on the porch with

little Donger in a baby carriage. She was trying
 to get some pictures of him with the new
 camera & wanted me to help. I took a couple
 pictures with her camera & also several on
 my Leica. It was about 9:00 by the time
 we got under way for Utica. It was a
 beautiful drive however some of the road was
 not good - had to detour between Oxford and
 Norwich. We were in Utica by 11:30 - I
 was surprised to learn that Joe Stanna
 had moved his business to a new location.
 169 Campbell Ave. It is a new building out
 in a residential section on the outskirts of
 town. Both Mary & I were sorry & disappointed
 to learn that Joe & Madeline had left for
 N.Y.C. Furthermore I was somewhat let down
 to learn from Joe's sec. & the boy in the
 office that Joe had left no word about my
 pin ball game; apparently he had forgotten
 all about it. Fortunately I had brought along
 the correspondence I had had with Joe &
 had his letter in which he had promised to
 give me a pin ball game. The boy was
 very nice about it & let us pick out
 anyone we wanted of the used machines.
 There were a couple dozen of them so we

had quite a job deciding which one we wanted. Joe has a nice place - a lovely office. After we got the pin ball game loaded in the car we drove down town & had some lunch at a Tuxedo House. After thinking over the matter of the pin ball game further we decided the children might enjoy more having the bowling pin ball game more than the Air Circus Game which we got - so we decided to exchange it if possible. We drove back to Joe's place & were disappointed to learn that some fellows had come in & had taken the bowling game while we were away, so we decided to keep the Air Circus - for I hope that Joe will let us exchange it later anyway. I drove back down town & had about an hour to shop before having to go to the ~~the~~ N.Y. Central R.R. Station at 3:00 to meet Mr. H.R. Quickerbocker. The train was a few minutes late - we had no trouble locating him & were on our way to Endicott by 3:15 - it was a beautiful drive home & we enjoyed talking to Mr. Quickerbocker. He sure is an interesting man. We got to the IBM Storehouse at just 6:00. Left Mr. Quickerbocker & came on home. Mary helped me unload the

pin ball game - we had to stop over to Billie's to get the key for the house. Bob & Mary Lou were having supper with the Bibbys. I came home, cleaned up some - put on another suit & at 6:40 drove up to the Homestead - got Mr. Knichenbocker & drove him down to the Country Club to our IBM Study Club Meeting. It was a very nice affair & we were all pleasantly surprised with Knichenbocker's talk - he really gave an excellent talk - he sure is anti Russian & gave us a lot of good sound reasons why. Frank Furman let me handle the question period & also close the meeting as usual. We had many more questions asked than could be answered. Oh yes! Geo. Daley representing the nominating committee - announced the candidates they had selected for officers next year - they will be voted on at the next meeting. They are - for President - Ralph La Tourette and Ray Jarvis - for Vice Pres. Paul Mariani and Ellen Brown. I asked Frank Furman to take Mr. Knichenbocker up to the Homestead - I came on home about 10:00. Had Mary help me set up the Pin Ball Game - we played it for a half hour or more - it sure is fascinating. To-bed 11:30.

4/16/47

WEDNESDAY:

Partly cloudy & cooler to-day. Got up at 6:45 - showed Babe & Mary Lou the pin ball game before breakfast - we each played a couple of games - The children were thrilled with it. I drove the girls to school on my way to the office at 8:00 - I checked first thing with Frank Sumner to see what arrangements had been made for transportation for Mr. Krueckerbocker. At 8:30 I drove up to the Homestead - had a cup of coffee with Mr. Krueckerbocker while he ate breakfast. Called Ed Maney to check on reservations - he couldn't get a plane for Mr. Krueckerbocker as it was a very rainy, cloudy morning so private planes were not flying. I finally gave up & told Ed. to get the ^{IBM} station wagon to drive Mr. Krueckerbocker to Elmira to get the 10:20 train for Williamsport Pa. We had to hurry - I got him down to the school at 9:20 - Bob Wheeler was there with the Chrysler station wagon & left with Mr. Krueckerbocker right away for Elmira. I was disappointed as I had hoped we could have made some other arrangements so Mr. Krueckerbocker could have had a few hours to see ^{some} of our I.B.M. plants.

He was especially interested as he wanted information on the company as an example of an ideal private enterprise to use in his debates with Durante on "Collective Socialism vs. Private Enterprise". Had a busy morning. At 10:00 I went over to the Conference Room in the lab. with Blackwell - Van Gorden was also there from the school. Bob Landon had called the meeting to review the Wage & Hour Law as it applied to some of the situations in IBM. Harris, Lewis, McElwain, Austin, Landon, Brush, Dolph, Van Gorden, Blackie & I were all there with Landon. Bob brought up the matter of payment of our instructor under the requirements of the Wage & Hour Law - I mentioned that I would like to see any change or any new plan of payment withheld now until the end of our present term & start the new plan next Fall. I was pleased that Lewis & Harris agreed with me on this.

Bob also brought up the matter of paying the guards, nurse & country club people who at present are not being paid in accordance with the Wage & Hour Law. Had a little lunch with Ray in the cafeteria - Oh yes. I went home for lunch instead. Had

Mary bring me back to the office. Did
 some shopping down town before going home
 for lunch. - I put an invoice then
 for Oliver Anderson this afternoon. Called
 Horace Bailey at W.H.P. & also Drew
 Daley this afternoon. Called Ralph Walker
 & asked him to stop on to the house
 this evening. Mary picked me up at 5:15
 she had Mr. Carpenter with her - had
 driven up to Birmingham & got her this
 afternoon. She seems a little better than
 when she was with me before - is as
 jolly as she ever was to me. I put
 in some time on the gym ball game
 when I got home - Bob & Mary Lou
 were all crazy about it. I wrote Joe
 Adams thanking him for the gym ball
 game to-day. Spent the evening paint-
 ing in the kitchen - Mary & Mrs. C.
 kept me company - they sure can talk!
 I mixed up the pale blue - it seemed
 too light as it came in the can so
 I added some of the Cobalt Blue color
 I got in a talk at Union on Tuesday.
 It was my first experience of mixing
 my own colors & I started in on a

bad one for it seems the more blue you add to white or a light color the whiter it becomes, at least it seems that way. Consequently I got a little too much blue in it - both Mary & Mrs. C. seemed to think it looked too dark on the wall but I didn't agree with them. Ralph & Della stopped in for a while - I showed them the pin ball game. Ralph & I had some fun trying out the various relays in the machine - got some funny results. About 11:30 after I got cleaned up from painting - Mrs. C., Mary & I went down to the playroom & had a few games on the pin ball machine. We all got a kick out of it. To-bed about 12:15.

4/17/47 THURSDAY:

Cloudy & cool to-day. Got up at 7:00 - took Babe & Mary Lou to school on my way to the office at 8:00. Had a busy morning. Della Walther called & asked me to make a reservation for Marguerite Cranda to attend the Autumn Dinner to-night. I called Charlie Love at W.H.Q. about salesman who completes the Elementary Electronics extension course.

Had a lot of letters to get out to-day. Lunch at cafeteria with Ray Jarvis - after lunch I drove over town & did some shopping. Stopped in Vaughn's & looked at a couple of suits. Also stopped in Oliver's Hardware Store to see Dale Davis about an lawn mower. The one he had for me was too heavy. Got back to the office about 1:30 - Van stopped over & asked me to go up to Ideal Hospital with him to see Ray Wolkegel so I rode along. Ray has been in the Hospital for a few days getting his legs operated on for Varicose Veins - it isn't a very serious operation. I was surprised to learn that Ray had this condition, I had thought only old women were bothered with it. Van & I decided the Dr. J. Edna. should send some flowers or a plant to Buckle's home. Bruce had gone down to Sayre to bring Edna home to-day. Called Daly at W. H. S. this afternoon & learned he still did not have an instructor for the Advanced Spanish class which he wants to start on Monday. Eleanor John called from W. H. S. - Dwayne will be back from the West Coast next Tuesday. At 5:00 I hurried down town & got my hair

cut. Saw Jim, Roy - hadn't seen him since he returned from the Army last Sept. Drove home about 5:30, cleaned up & about 6:45 Ralph & Della stopped by for me - Margaret Cramer was with them. Mary had to go a Cancer Fund Meeting at the Country Club so she couldn't go to the Customer Dinner. I wouldn't have gone but Van Borden asked me to attend since he couldn't. Margaret was up fromough-keeping to study on Country Club operations - she is to be the administrator of the IBM Country Club at Plant #4. It was a very nice party for the customers. Davison conducted the program since Perry Starbuck wasn't there. Walt Harris spoke for the I.B.M. Organization. I sat next to Bill Holladay the new Engineering student & got better acquainted. Also met Ed Fayer the Engineering student from Lafayette College. The meeting was over about 8:45 but Ralph & Della stayed around & talked for over an hour so I didn't get home until almost 10:00. I put on my old clothes & went to work on the kitchen with the painting job. Started putting the yellow on the breakfast nook. Mary got home about

10:15 & helped some with the painting. We didn't like the yellow color as well as we had expected. Oh Yps! Tobby Crawford called me this morning & asked me if I wanted to make \$30.00 - said he would pay me \$30.00 for the loan of \$300.00 for three months. I told him I had to borrow some money to refinance the house so it was out of the question. - This afternoon I saw Bob Landon about making out the mortgage on the house - called Mary & had her talk with Bob about the terms of the mortgage. I also called Mr. Donald at the Trust Co. & arranged to borrow \$2000.00 to complete the deal on refinancing the house. - About 11:30 Mary & I gave up painting - Mrs. Carpenter went down to the playroom with us to play the pin ball game. I decided to improve the game by moving some of the bumpers. We got so interested we played until 12:45. To bed 1:00.

4/18/47 FRIDAY:

Partly cloudy & cool to-day. Got up at 7:00 - took Babe & Mary Lou to school on my way to the office at 8:00. Mary rode down with me & took the car. She stopped down to the Endicott Trust this morning & took care of the matter of borrowing \$2000.00 from the bank.

to finish paying for our house. I had called
 McDonald & made the arrangements for her.
 I got out the report to Artur to-day on the
 advanced language classes starting at W.H.Q.
 Ben Bodel was all steamed up this morning
 about some statistics on Ben. Education for W.H.Q.
 to be used in the Stockholders report. They
 had to have it by 2:00 this afternoon. I
 was able to get the data for them from
 my records. Had lunch at the cafeteria
 with Ray Jawie. After lunch I had Bob
 Landon come back to the office to see the
 finished draft of the General Letter I have
 prepared for Artur's signature on the matter
 of training benefits to Veterans. Bob approved
 the legal aspects of it. Mary took Mrs. Carpenter
 over to Binghamton this afternoon - she wanted
 to call on Mrs. White - decided she would stay
 for the weekend. I don't think she likes all the
 paint we have in the house - it does ~~the~~ smell
 the place up a lot. Mary stopped by for me
 at 5:15 - I got on old clothes & went right
 to work on the paint job in the kitchen. Ralph
 & Della came out about 7:15 - They had on
 their old clothes ready to paint & I put them
 right to work. We had a real painting party!

Ralph helped me move out the refrigerator & stove so we could paint in back of them. He helped me put on white under coat. Della & Mary did some work on the bread box & other small pieces. We had a lot of fun & spread quite a bit of paint. Stopped about 10:45 & cleaned the place up. Mary & Della fixed hamburgers & coffee while Ralph & I tried out the Pin Ball Game. Mary wasn't feeling good & had to lay down - she couldn't eat with us. Della helped with the dishes - she & Ralph left about 11:45. Mary & I turned in right away 12:00 - Boy I sure was tired!

4/19/47 SATURDAY:

A beautiful bright day but cool. Got up about 7:30 - put in a real day on the paint job in the kitchen. I mixed some yellow in the A-brin's canary yellow paint to make it a little richer in color & painted the breakfast room walls with it. I also painted a panel in the kitchen to see how we would like it. Mary took Babe & Mary Lou to Binghamton for their dancing lesson & also did some shopping. While they were gone I put the coat of light blue paint on the kitchen ceiling. Boy, that was some job. Mary

The girls got back about 2:30. Mary had
 gotten me some more bumper & also some
 new rubber for the pin ball game - she
 also got me 5 more steel balls for the game
 so we now have 10 instead of 5. I put
 some of the bumper on and installed new
 rubber on all the bumper - then with the
 10 balls it is a much more interesting game.
 The girls & I had to try it out with a few
 games. Didn't have lunch until 3:30 which
 is really late for the Welsh family. After
 eating I went right back on the paint job -
 it was really too nice outside to be inside
 but I wanted to get the job finished. I also
 want to minimize the car as soon as I can
 get to it. Had some supper about 7:50 -
 I called De Venti & asked Mr. De Venti to
 had Ray & Rose come over - Ray had to
 study so I asked her to come over to -
 watch & bring the boys to play pin ball.
 Got a letter from Joe Hanna to-day say-
 ing he was sorry he missed seeing Mary &
 I in Vt. on Tuesday - also that he would
 have seen that we got a more inter-
 esting pin ball game. I was glad to learn
 that he wants us to have another game or

soon as we get tired of this one. Also got a letter from Mr. Elmer Miller of Washington N.J. inviting me to attend a testimonial dinner in honor of Reading Gebhardt at Flemington on Fri. May 23. See I would like to attend, but that is the weekend I had planned to go to the N.Y. State Jayce convention at Elmira N.Y. I still haven't decided which I will attend. Mary & I both spent the evening painting - I put some yellow in the kitchen - Mary doesn't like it - we couldn't quite make up our mind. Took time out for a few games of pin ball - the machine started acting up - one of the ^{A.C.} solenoids would stick & hum. It made a terrible racket! To-bed 12:00

4/20/47 SUNDAY:

A very rainy day - rained most all day & very cool. Got up at 8:00 & right back at the paint job. Put the white enamel on the bottom half of the breakfast nook this morning. Mary took Babe & Mary Lou to Sunday School - she also took Caroline & Martha Bibby down with her. Virginia went down to Poughkeepsie this weekend to attend the 100th Anniversary Banquet & the big Smith Bros.

celebration with Daise. Mary stayed for Sunday
 school - got home about 11:30. About 12:50
 I took time out from painting to fix the
 pin ball game. Really got on the inside
 of it - I was surprised at all of the mechan-
 ism - I had no idea there were so many
 relays in it. Had no trouble in locating
 the difficulty - a sticky solenoid armature. After
 dinner I helped Mary clean up the house
 some & got cleaned up myself. About 3:50
 the De Ventis arrived - all except Jays,
 he had to stay home to study & rest -
 he is President of his class in school & is
 trying to make a real record. Mr. & Mrs.
 De Venti sure liked my paint job on the
 kitchen - however Mrs. De Venti really stuck
 up her nose at the yellow on the kitchen
 walls - her reaction made me change my
 mind on the yellow, I had only about half
 liked it anyway. The De Ventis sure liked
 the pin ball game - it was kept busy
 every minute while they were there. I took
 some pictures both stills & movies of the
 gang around the pin ball machine. I told
 the boys I would bring the machine down
 to their house & leave it while we go to

California - that sure made a hit. It seems all the De Ventis are looking forward to having Babe & Mary Lou stay with them for the month of June. It sure is nice of them to take the girls. Babe & Mary Lou are looking forward to it too. I showed some movie - however Charles preferred to play pin ball. I showed some of the color movies of Babe & Mary Lou when they were babies - Mrs. De Venti almost went wild over them. They sure are cute - I hadn't seen them in a long time. I like them better every time I see them. Mary treated us to tea & cake. The De Ventis left about 7:30 - I put on my old clothes & took out the ashes. Also helped Mary take the wash next door to Martha - she is going to start doing our weekly washing. It was still raining to - night. Mary & I went back to work on the paint job - started putting the white enamel on the kitchen walls. It sure makes a good looking job - I had Mary add up the cost of all the paint we had bought to - date since we started our painting project. We were both surprised to find we had spent \$56.70. We estimated that the

paint we would actually use to complete the kitchen project would cost about \$37.00. I wonder what it would have cost to have the whole job done by a painter. I'll bet it would have cost between 75 & 100 dollars. Mary & I painted right up to 12:00 - To-bed 12:15.

4/21/47 MONDAY:

Cloudy & rainy to-day. Got up at 7:15 - Mary drove me down to the office at 8:15 - Took Babe & Mary Lou to school. Received a call from Will Edwards from Poughkeepsie this morning, he told me that Dave Sanford's father-in-law, Mr. Davis, dropped dead yesterday while he was fishing. Dave had asked Will to call saying he couldn't get to Endicott this week. I asked Will to come instead. I was sorry to hear about Mr. Davis & also the fact that Dave had to miss our meeting. At 9:00 this morning we had a large school opening - a very large customer class & two customer engineer classes, one advanced and one starting group. Les Tunney was up from W.H.P. White Harris spoke to the group. Davison con-

ducted the session in Starbuck's absence. I did
 some work to-day getting lined up for our meet-
 ing on Wed. & Thur. Drew Daly called from W.H.D.
 he is starting the Advanced Spanish class to-day &
 the Advanced French class to-morrow. Had lunch
 with Ray Jarvis at the cafeteria. Stayed at the
 office this evening to help check the classes, Ray
 had to leave to attend a meeting & Bob had a
 class to teach. Bob & I went out about 4:30 & had a
 bite to eat at a greasy spoon restaurant. Did
 some calling from the office this evening - got
 some addresses of people we want to look up
 while in California. Talked to some of the instructors
 as they stopped in the office - Ray Cheney, Wally Lawton,
 Bob Skindan & Lynn Sealey. Called Mary & she stopped
 down for me about 7:40. We drove Lynn Sealey home on
 our way home. I got into my old clothes & went
 to work on the kitchen - I put on some white en-
 amel on the walls. I wasn't satisfied with the
 way it went on the walls - I couldn't get it to go
 on without showing some brush laps. It disturbed
 me a lot! Mary & Mr. Carpenter kept me company,
 however they played pin ball a lot - the
 pin ball game sure got a workout. Worked until
 about 11:30. To-bed about 12:00. The paint
 is just about getting me down.

4/22/47

TUESDAY:

Clear but cool to-day. Got up at 7:00 - drove Bob & Mary Lou to school on my way to the office about 8:10. Spent most of the morning getting lined up for my meeting to-morrow with my managers of Gen. Edw. in IBM. About 11:30 I drove home for lunch - ate with Mary & Mrs. Carpenter. After lunch I helped Mary box up Barbara's match book collection & Mary Lou's miniature automobile collection & took them down to Hooper road for the Hobby Show to-night. Mrs. C. came down with us - she & Mary were out to see Pauline Monahan this afternoon. Paul Rosen called & told me Dick Eisenhut was down from Rochester - I had him stop over to the office to see me - he had another chap from Burch & Lomb Co with him - Geo. Lerman - he & Geo. are still both interested in the Jr. Chamber of Commerce - had a nice chat with them. Bill Lewis called me & asked why Charlie Baxter wasn't a manager - he was talking with Mac Almon & the question came up. I told Bill that I had always thought of Mac as the manager - however Bill wants me to think the matter over - Mac stopped over

to see me & we decided both Charlie Baxter & Arnold Koppen should be given the status of a manager. Van Borden called this afternoon to ask me recommend someone for a job he has in the field - Van & I do quite a little bidding - he calls me Dean so I call him Chancellor - This afternoon Van told me he thought I should have this job as chairman for the Dept. of Edu. - said he was going to suggest to Olson that he give me the job. I told Van he was doing too good a job to make any change. At 4:15 we had a general managers meeting Cy McElwain conducted the meeting - Bud Austin told us of the set-up on having employees vaccinated for smallpox to-morrow & Thursday. We all received notice to-day. Bill Lewis also spoke to the managers - just told us what a well job we were doing but that we had to do better. Cy mentioned the matter of the voluntary aspect of our Gen. Edu. Program. Mary stopped down for me about 5:15 - Babe & Mary Lou were with her & they were all pepped up about the holiday show down at Hooper School. Just as soon as we all had supper we went down to see the show. I took my light along & got some pictures of Babe & Mary Lou's exhibits. We were all surprised that Mary Lou got first.

mine with the collection of miniature cans &
 Baba got Dad. mine on the match book collec-
 tion. Mary Lou was very pleased over her winning.
 I had a couple boys help me with the lights
 for the picture. The whole holiday was
 very nice. At 7:30 we drove in down to the
 Church I got out there to attend a meeting of
 our Better Brotherhood program committee for next
 year. Devin Woodard is chairman - Walt
 Harris & Bader Collier the other members were
 there and Henry Banks sat in with me. We
 had about an hour session. I called Mary &
 she came down for me - put on old clothes on
 soon as I got home & did some cleaning the
 floor in the kitchen - that is quite a job, to
 get the linoleum clean of all wax before painting.
 Had some fun before retiring. Mary did some
 sewing - she & Mrs. C. also played mini
 ball. To bed 12:00.

4/23/47 WEDNESDAY:

Clear & cool to-day - got up at 7:00.
 Mary drove me down to the office at 8:00 -
 took Babe & Mary Lou to school - Mary
 stopped on her way home & got the miniature
 auto & match books from the school from

The hobby show. I had a very busy day at the office - the boys from the other plants started arriving about 8:30 & we started our session about 9:00. Bob Holmead, Rex Chapman, Drew Daly, Wilbur Edmors - I had Bob Sheidan, Carl Snyder & Ray Jarvis from Endicott sit in with us. We had our meeting in Starbuck's office since he was out of town. We sure had a busy morning - right in the middle of our session Alton called from W.H.Q. & wanted some info. on number of veterans in the Gen. Edu. Program in 1944 & 1945 so we had to drop everything else & work on it. I called Alton & told him the price we had to pay for the instructors at W.H.Q. \$25.⁰⁰ per session for French & 17.50 for Spanish. He agreed that was high. This noon Bruce Buchler introduced me to a Mr. ~~Mc~~ Towner of the Carrier Corp. at Syracuse who was here to see our training & educational program. I had lunch with him at the cafeteria & told him a little about our Gen. Edu. Program & then after lunch I had Ray Jarvis spend some time with him. At 1:30 our Gen. Education group reconvened in Starbuck's office. I had Ken Space take a picture of the group. We had a lively session all afternoon - reviewed our plans for the new bulletin this fall. I have a very long agenda to get over - I

doubt whether we get all over it even tomorrow. Our meeting adjourned at 5:00 - Mary stopped by for me - I drove her home & then stopped back to the school. Ray was talking with Mr. & Mrs. Tower - I met Mrs. Tower. - Reg Chapman & I tried to sit in on the Home Planning Class but it was a full room so we sat in the office & listened to the speaker talk on Painting & Finishing. It was very interesting as Ray & I are both amateur painters. I think I learned the secret as to how to get enamel on smoothly. The secret is to use a spirit coat on after the flat coat & before you put on the finish coat. I'm anxious to try it out. Bob Skindan brought, Edmund, Dady & Holmes in to hear part of the session. Ray & I left about 6:15 - I drove down to the Hotel to our Lion's Meeting - took Ray as my guest. Had a big turn out - we tried out the idea of a brief news report - Hawley Trice was on hand & gave the first news resume. He did a good job. The program was some children from Geo. Washington School who played instruments. Ray & I left about 7:40 as I wanted to get home before the boys came over from the Horstead. I had arranged with Ray

To take the other fellows to the Homestead for dummies. The whole group came out to the house this evening & we really gave the Pin Ball game a work over. I had Carl Snyder look the mechanism over & he fixed it up a bit. The boys wanted to play for money so we placed 5¢ & 10¢ bets on high score. It made the game a little more interesting. Wilbur & Bob Holmsted hadn't seen the train platform before so they got quite a kick out of it. Drew Daly brought some match books for Barbara for her collection - a nice addition to her hobby. Oh Ys! Mary Lou received a very nice photograph album as her prize for winning first place in the Hobby Contest. She sure was delighted. The boys found it difficult to get away from the pin ball game - it was 11:30 before the party broke up. I drove Reg up to the Homestead - the rest of the fellows went down to the Lumberick with Ray Jamin. Steve & wrote these notes before retiring. To-bed 12:20.

4/24/47 THURSDAY:

Cloudy & warm to-day. Got up at 7:00 - hurried around & drove down to the office at 8:00 - Mary went along to take the car - we took Babe & Mary Lou

the school. The boys from the other plants
 came in about 8:30 - we reconvened our
 session in Starbucks office about 8:30 -
 started discussing new subjects to be offered
 in our program this fall. About 9:00 Ray
 Jarvis & I went on to the personnel
 dept. for our vaccination. They vaccinated
 about 1500 employees yesterday & were putting
 them thru again today at the rate of
 about 12 a minute. Ray & I only had
 5 or 6 minutes to wait. Dr. Welch
 actually did the scratching of the arm.
 We really had a busy morning -
 discussing our plans for the develop-
 ment of extension of our General Education
 Program. Dr. Olson called from N.H. &
 asked me to get him some informa-
 tion on companies who subsidizing their people
 who take educational work at outside institu-
 tion. I discussed it with the other fellows
 in our session. I had a report I had
 prepared back in 1943 - I told Olson I
 had it & he wanted it so I sent it
 down to him. Dwayne said he had
 talked with Kirk & he is interested in
 having IBT start some such plan.

I called Bob Landon this morning - he was at
~~W.H.Q.~~ Poughkeepsie & is going to W.H.Q. to-morrow.
 I asked Bob to see Mr. Fick while at W.H.Q.
 since Daly had been talking to him about
 the application of the Wage & Hour Law to our
 Gen. Edu. Program. Van Borden stopped in
 about 12:15 just as we were closing our meet-
 ing. He went to lunch with us - I in-
 troduced him to the fellows he hadn't met.
 Wilbur Edmondson left for Poughkeepsie after lunch.
 Ray Chapman had work in the plant. Bob
 Holmead & Daly spent most of the after-
 noon with Ray Jawin. I had Ray review
 our record keeping set-up with them. I
 also spent some time with them. Mrs.
 Conarty our instructor for the class taking "Clothing"
 introduced me to a Mrs. Wilber whom she
 brought down from Binghamton to talk to our
 class & show a movie on fashion to-night.
 Mary picked me up at 5:00 - She & Mrs.
 Carpenter had both been vaccinated for Small-
 pox yesterday so they are one day ahead of
 me. My arm is a little sore to-night.
 I read the paper - cleaned up a bit &
 about 6:45 Mary & I drove up to the
 Homestead to the Customer Dinner. Ray

I was brought Bob Holmead & Andrew Daly
 up from the school with him. There was
 a large group at the dinner - 51 in the
 customer class & two customer engineering
 groups. Bob, Drew & Reg attended the dinner.
 Lewron acted as chairman in Starbuck's absence.
 It was a good meeting - I sat next to
 Neal Goodwin who was in the customer
 engineering class I attended as a student
 engineer back in 1934. Neal is back to
 study the Type 602 Electronic Multiplier.
 Mary & I hurried home after the dinner -
 Bob Holmead & Drew Daly got the
 late train home to - night. Ray Jawer
 drove them over to the station. I put
 on my old clothes as soon as I got home
 & went to work painting again. Mary
 helped me. She & Mrs. Carpenter played
 pin ball in the playground until after 12:00.
 I painted until about 12:30. To-bed 12:45.

4/25/47 FRIDAY:

A rainy day - started raining this
 morning. Got up about 7:00 - Drove
 down to the office about 8:15 - Took
 Babe & Mary Lou to school. Had a

busy day at the office getting caught up
 with my correspondence. Van Gorden called
 & told me he was going to N.Y.C. to see
 Arton, Monday - I bidden him about having
 to get down to the Stockholders meeting at
 W.H.Q. - I drove home at 12:00 - had lunch
 with Mary & Mrs. Carpenter - Then after lunch
 I drove Mrs. C. down town to get a bus
 to Binghamton - she is staying with Mr.
 White to - night. I called Harren this
 noon & made an appointment to have
 my car procelined a week from next
 Tuesday. Mac & I are driving to Poughkeepsie
 next Tuesday. Wilbur Edmonds called
 from Poughkeepsie to - day & gave me some
 information on companies in that area who
 subsidize their employees taking educational work.
 Ray Jarvis devolved to - day that he is
 having his grain head ache - I hadn't known
 it before. Drove home at 5:00 - got into
 my old clothes & went to work on the
 kitchen. Mary & I have just about made
 up our mind that it takes too long
 to try & do the job yourself. I started
 painting the floor to - night. Put the
 edge on the breakfast nook. Also put

a split coat on the rest of the walls. I called Mr. Reynolds, the painter who talked to our Home Planning class, to-day & asked him a lot of questions about ~~on~~ my paint job. Mary helped me some this evening. We put in a full evening - then just as I was rushing things along & painting the last stripe back in the corner, I got off the ladder in a hurry to move it & knocked off the paint can into the floor. There was only about a pint in it but it sure made a mess - Mary had gone up to-bed but she came back down & helped me clean it up. I gave up the painting & went on to-bed - To-bed 11:45

4/26/47 SATURDAY:

Clear but very cool to-day. It had snowed a little last night. I didn't get up until about 8:00. - after breakfast I switched all the tires on the Buick. I have 4995 miles on it. I'm going to follow Charlie Lover's plan of switching them every 5000 miles. It was the first I had ever had the fender apertures off the rear of the car. They come off quite easy. Mary took

The girls over to Binghamton about 10:30 for
 their dancing lesson. I went to work again
 on the paint job in the kitchen - painted the
 enamel on the large coat cupboard & also just the
 Chinese red on the inside of the cupboard door. Mary
 came back about 2:00 with the girls & Mrs. Carpenter.
 They seemed sore because I didn't have the
 kitchen cleaned up for dinner - that made me
 mad after I had worked hard while they were gone.
 Mary got some dinner for us about 3:15 - after
 eating I ~~had~~ washed the car - then I borrowed
 the electric drill from Mr. Sawyer & put the
 new back-up light that Mary gave me for
 my birthday on the Buick. It is a smaller
 back-up light & it sure looks nice. My
 paint job on the linenen in the breakfast
 room didn't turn out so well - I couldn't get
 the China Red border to cover the pattern of
 the linenen so I gave up the idea of using
 red as a border & painted it all blue. Mary
 got some supper about 7:30 - she took a nap
 this afternoon. About 10:00 this evening Mary & Mrs. C.
 drove down town to get a check cashed & bought
 me some ice cream. I gave up paint-
 ing about 11:30 - it was really then 12:30
 as we had to set our clock ahead an hour.

to-night for Daylight Saving Time which starts to-morrow. Actually then I went to bed at about 1:00.

4/27/47 SUNDAY:

A very rainy day - got up at 6:45 which was actually 5:45 since we had set our clocks ahead last night one hour for Daylight Saving Time. Got dressed & about 7:20 Paul Francis stopped by for me. We drove over to Binghamton to the Lawson's Dinner at the corner of Clinton & Front Sts. Had some breakfast there - Dick Ludwig met us about 7:40 - Paul left his car there at the Dinner & we rode with Dick to Utica for the N.Y. Jaycee Executive Committee Meeting. It started raining just before we arrived at Utica - had some very bad road between Oxford & Norwich. Arrived at the Utica Hotel about 10:00 - some of the boys were already on hand. Got Hanna had his new Lincoln Continental sitting in front of the Hotel. Paul Taber had to wait awhile before we had a quorum of the committee present to start the meeting. He got the session

under way about 10:30 — Those present
 were PAUL TABER, ED. WATSON, CURT BUFFUM,
 DICK LUDWIG, JOE HANNA, TOM NOBEL, PAUL
 MANIERI, DICK BYWATER, GLEN SCOTT — also
 FRED BRYANT, MEL GERHARDT & BOB BAXTER came
 late. Paul had a lot of business to cover —
 it was a real good meeting. J. Chandler in
 the state is sure looking up. There are now
 14 new local organizations. We discussed plans
 for the State Jaycee Convention in Elmira. Joe
 Hanna reported on plans for transportation to
 the National Jaycee Convention at Long Beach
 Calif. — Royal Airlines gave us the fare for
 \$52.⁰⁰ round trip + 10% tax. a round \$170.⁰⁰ for
 the trip. Also discussed the budget for next
 year — 50,000 — 1948 N.Y. State Calendar being
 printed for next year with a possible net of
 \$5500.⁰⁰ profit to the State Organization — We
 adjourned about 12:30 — Joe Hanna had arranged
 for us all to have dinner at an Italian Restaurant.
 I rode over a few blocks with Joe in his new
 Lincoln Continental — it sure is a swell car. Joe
 treated the gang to a swell steak dinner. Paul
 Taber & Fred Bryant had their families with
 them — Curt, Glen, & Dick Bywater had their
 wives with them. I took some pictures of the

group after dinner. We were over 2 hours at lunch - very slow service - Paul went ahead with some business while we were waiting for courses. Rode back to the Hotel with Joe Hanna - we all had a surprise when we got back to our meeting room - to find Joe Washichek there waiting for us. She had been there waiting for us about two hours & had to leave right away to catch a train for N.Y.C. Joe just said he had flown in from Havana & had to pay a Taxi 37.50 to bring him over from Albany to make the meeting - he had to make a 2:53 train for N.Y.C. & only had 10 minutes - didn't even wait to shake hands with the boys. She sure seemed disturbed about the whole matter & went off in a real huff. We were all sorry to have left no word as to where we had gone for dinner but no one knew Joe was planning to be with us. Paul called our meeting to order & then Joe Hanna suggested he be excused to go down to the station to explain more fully what the whole situation was. I went along with Joe - he sure cut the corners with that Lincoln - we had only 4 or 5 minutes before train time. Joe was on the train when we got there & it was

just ready to pull out. We ran up & down the track looking for Joe on the train - Joe Hanna jumped on just back of the baggage car & started running thru the cars, had to get off as it started right away - but by some strange quirk of circumstance the car went on & the train stopped again with a jerk - Joe was able to get back on but the conductor wouldn't let me on - even blamed me for stopping the train - I had to explain that I had nothing to do with it. Joe H. finally located Joe W. in the lounge car sound asleep. He had only a minute to wake Joe up & tell him briefly what had happened. He came near being caught on the train - had to jump off of one of the platforms after the train started. - Ed Watson was elected as the new State Pres.

To take office at the convention in Elvira. Paul Taler was asked to lead the song & it acted upon the matter of the Paul Taler trophy which is being set up in tribute to Paul & presented to the outstanding State Committee Chairman. - John G. of Rock. gets in this year for his job on the aviation committee. - I was pleased to see the boys are still using the Personal Hygiene & the Joyce Manual which I introduced last year to the year before. Paul again

The meeting about 4:30 - Most of the gang accepted Joe Hammer's invitation to come over to his office - I rode over with Dick & Paul Manier. Joe had Madeline & his two boys come over - I hadn't seen his boys before - they are two nice boys. Joe played host to the group in his expansive office - he has a portable bar which proved to be quite adequate for the occasion. He drew up a whole flock of his pin ball & various games which we could play without putting in any nickels. We all had a good time. I had a chance to talk with Madeline a few minutes about the pin ball game I got & was a bit surprised to learn I had actually gotten a better machine than Joe had intended to give me - she said I had made a very good selection. Paul, Dick & I left about 7:00 for home. It seemed funny that it didn't get dark until after 8:00 - the first day of Daylight Saving Time. We got back to Bangor about 9:00 - Paul got his car at Larson's Drive & we left Dick there. I got home about 9:30 - Mary & the girl had taken Mrs. Carpenter back to Oxford this afternoon. Mrs. White had gone along for the ride. I put the doors on the wardrobe on

Ben returned to - night & did some cleaning up in the kitchen. Mary & I exchanged stories on our experiences for the day. Read the papers & wrote these notes - To-bed 12.00 -

4/28/47 MONDAY:

Clear but cold to - day. Got up at 7:00 - Drove down to the office at 8:10 - Took Bob & Mary Lou to school. Called Dar Sanford at Pk. this morning - Mary & I are planning to go down to - school. Dan Daly arrived at the school this morning from W.H.F. to attend the Customer School this week. I attended the opening exercises for the school at 9:00 - Perry Stuckert presided & Walter Harris spoke for the exercises of the plans. Bud Austin attended the opening - he spoke to me before the program, about joining the John City Chamber of Commerce. He told me he, Joe LaForte & Bob Stedding, were all joining so I agreed I would be willing to go along with them. At 11:30 I drove home - had some lunch with Mary - Then about 12:15 we drove down to Emmett - I stopped in to see Mr. Sealey & told him I wouldn't be home Tue. evening - he had arranged with Mary

to bring his son Don out to see the train platform. Mary & I drove on over to Vestal to see Bob Landon & to get the mortgage straightened out on our house. Bob had the mortgage all drawn up - We paid him the \$500.00 we got from Mother & a check for \$2109.52 which was the balance to completely pay off IBM for our house. Bob's fee was \$30.00 & the tax & court fees for registering the deed & mortgage was another \$38.50 - so it cost us \$68.50 just to have the thing refinanced. Mary & I began to think it was cheaper to rent after all. I got back to the office about 1:00. Don Sweet came back from lunch & told me of the terrible scare he had had at home - little Frankie has a very bad case of chicken pox & the doctor was afraid it was small pox - he called in another doctor & they finally decided it was a very severe case of chicken pox. It sure gave Don & Mary a scare. I wrote a letter to Joe Hanna & to Joe Washichek to-day. Also one to Bill Long requesting he return the movie film I sent him on "Milk from Producer to Consumer" - Mr. De Venti has requested it to show the Boy's Club in Endicott.

I wrote a letter to Jake Sebastian & sent it
 to Mrs. Miller at Washington N.J. to be included
 in the book they are preparing to present to
 Jake at his testimonial dinner on the 23rd. of May.
 I had decided to drive down to N.J. just to
 attend the dinner. Dr. Emerson called from
 Cornell this afternoon & asked me to join him
 & several other training men on the 15th. of May
 to plan their summer session at Cornell.
 I hope I can make it. There was a managers
 meeting at 4:15 - I saw Bill Levin just
 before the meeting - he told me he would
 like me to drive my car to -morrow- at Mrs.
 Levin's funeral - I didn't even know she had
 died. I explained to Bill that Mrs. & I were
 planning to go to Ok. - Levin talked to the
 managers & explained what plan had been
 made with regards to moving part of the pro-
 portion to Poughkeepsie. He said there were
 too many rumors floating around & he wanted
 to make everyone know the facts - he told
 us that present plan call for moving
 Three Items to plant #2 as soon as
 the new bldg. is completed - 1. All the typ-
 ewriter machines, (Key Punches) - 2. The Motor
 & 3 The Bank Pass. He assured us

There would be no wholesale Transfers of personnel from Endicott to PK. but that a few key people may be asked to go. Also there would be no layoff at Endicott as other phases of our production would be expanded. There will be 40 some people from PK. sent to Endicott for training in the job to learn the know-how of these production jobs. Mary met me at the office about 5:15 - she had the girls with her. We gave Drew a ride up to the Homestead - saw Jean Martin - met a Mr. & Mrs. Estabrook who were with her & had our first look at little George - he was in a cute baby. Keith is on an extended trip for the company on the West Coast. After supper I put on some old clothes & ripped the dust off the car. Then dressed again - called Drew & at 7:40 drove up to the Homestead got Drew & took him down to Church with me to attend our Bethel Brotherhood meeting. Perry Starbuck took over as our new President - we had quite a business meeting, Perry sure does a better job than Glen Hutchinson. Dean Battle was our speaker & spoke on Religion "Education & The Good Life" - it was interesting - but Glen

isn't a proper speaker. I served on the refreshment committee with Dick Riddle & Ronald Douglas. We had ice cream, coffee & cake - I did the dish washing. Drove Dave back to the store & got home about 11:30 - Mary had gone to bed. - I wrote some of these notes - packed my bag for Pk. & turned in about 12:30.

4/29/47 TUESDAY:

Partly cloudy & cool to-day. Got up at 5:30 - got all packed to leave for Pk. Mary got up & fixed me some lunch. Mac & I planned to leave at 6:30 but he called about 6:15 & said he would be 15 minutes later in his alarm didn't go off. Mary & I spent the extra 15 minutes looking over the maps for our trip to California. We are really getting all worked up about the trip now. I picked Mac up at his home at 6:45 & we were on our way to Pk. I stopped in Depot & had some air for the tires - they had 35 lbs in them & I could notice that they were bad. We stopped at Yonkers for one small cup of coffee - took the Ferry at Yonkers to Beacon - had to wait about 10 min. for it - got to the place at just 11:00.

Was surprised to find a pile of dirt 10 to 15 feet high along the front of the plant - they are putting in the drainage for the new bldg & to get natural drainage they have to go about 20 feet into the ground with the sewers. It sure makes a real ditch - I took a couple pictures of it. I found Billy was gone for the day so I couldn't see him about my visit to the Castle Point Veterans' Hospital to see Colonel Bates. I had Alice Kowanski his sec'y. call the Hospital & learned that the Colonel was out for the day too. Spent all morning with Dave going over our training problems. At 12:45 Mac, Dave, Paul & I had lunch to-getter in the cafeteria - I had Vince Reales join in so I could talk Dr. Chamber with him. Vince has done a swell job this year as President of the Pk. Jaycees in getting the organization back on its feet. - I was pleased to see Bill Maloy back at the plant again - he had been out 12 weeks with a very bad heart attack & is now allowed to spend 4 hrs. a day on the job. Had a nice chat with Bill - he looks well but has to take it easy - no excitement - one of the things the doctor has forbidden is after-dinner speaker - that pleased Bill

a lot - he seems to be very careful about it all. Dave & I continued our discussion all afternoon. About 4:30 Alice got Colonel Bates on the phone for me & I arranged to see him at 10:50 to-morrow morning. Dave Bibby came in about 4:45 but he had several people waiting for him so I didn't wait to see him. At 5:00 Max & I followed Wilbur home - I had never seen Edmund's little girl Joanie - she is 16 mos. old. She is a cute little girl. Max had never met Will's family. Mrs. Edmunds made the mistake of ~~off~~ offering us a drink of wine - Max mentioned she was a high spirited girl after we left - I guess he was quite shocked. Max & I checked in The Nelson Home about 6:00 - Dave had gotten us separate rooms - however Max discovered after he registered he would have Bob Bruce coming with him. I went down & got my hair cut after I checked in - then returned to my room & laid down for a short nap. I was dead tired. Max & I went out for dinner at 7:00 - ate at the Smith Bros. Restaurant. Did ^{some} shopping after dinner - had our first look at the new IBM Sales Office in Ok. About 8:15 Max went back to the hotel & I went up to

The class-room. Called Mrs. Campbell & had a
 nice chat - tried to call Davie Sanford but
 she & Dave were out. Dave called back after a
 few minutes & I drove over to the Davis' House.
 Dave & Davie are living there for the time being.
 I gave Davie my sympathy & told her how
 sorry I was to hear about her father dying. Dave
 got out some books & maps they had used on
 their trip home from California. Davie looked
 very tired - she sure showed the strain she
 had been under. She & Dave are having a
 busy time trying to tie all the loose ends
 of Mr. Davis' business to - gether to get it
 settled up. Dave rode over to Edmunds with
 me at 9:00 to see some slides I had brought
 down to show Paul Deuell - Paul had a
 meeting to attend so I arranged to show them
 to Will & Peatie. Travis stayed up to see
 some of the slides - Peatie treated us on
 Pie & Coffee - we had some fun over the
 matter of her offering wine to Mac. I guess
 she felt rather badly about it. Left about
 11:15 - put the car in the garage & got
 back to my room about 11:30. Read the
 paper & wrote some of these notes.
 To-bed 12:35.

4/30/47 WEDNESDAY:

Very warm & showery to-day. Our warm-
est day to-date. Got up at 6:45 - Mac &
I went down for Bk. at 7:15 - ate with Bob
Bane & Helen Campbell - there were a dozen or
more men from Endicott in the Coffee Shop.
Dave stopped in - I saw him for a few minutes
about the visit to the Castle Point Veterans' Hospital.
Mac & I checked out & I drove down to
the plant - Dave & I continued our
discussions & about 9:30 I drove Mac
down to the Apprentice Shop - saw the
enlarged class room - Took a couple pictures
of Mac & Arnold. Also took a couple "
of the plant with all the dirt piled high
in front of it. They have the drainage ditch
along part of the present bldg. for the
new bldg. It is about 20 feet deep. Dave
& I left about 9:50 for Castle Point - it
was the first I had ever seen. The Veterans'
Hospital there - They have a beautiful setting
on the bank of the Hudson River. We had
a very interesting session with Dr. Bates
& several of his associates - (Dr. Deegan &
Mr. Swegay) While we were with Dr. Bates
Mr. Hochhausen - director of the Alter Work

Shops in The Bronx stopped in - we met him & had an interesting talk on work shops. Dr. Deegan & Mr. Swezey showed Dave & me the shops they are setting up. They have only started a few months ago & have made a good start. I mentioned our text book & arranged to send them a set to look over. Dave & I got back to the plant about 12:20 - had lunch at the cafeteria. I picked Max up at the apprentice shop about 1:15 & we left for Endicott. Drove down to Beacon & took the ferry to Newburgh. It was a very warm showery afternoon - we ran into a couple good heavy showers on our way home. I got Max home about 5:30.

May was getting Babe ready for her recital - she looked so nice in her new silk dress - I set up the lights & took a couple of pictures. May drove me down to the Lion Club at 6:30. We stopped at the office & I got my mail - also a text sewing pencil for Ruth Butzsell. Bill Stevens came by - May gave him a ride over to his home. I had arranged for Dean Battle to talk to the Lion Club - I had to see Leon Simmons & have

him introduce Glenn as I wasn't staying for the program. I explained to him that I had to attend a Girl Scout Council Meeting. Glenn admitted he was glad, for he was giving the same talk he gave at Church Monday Evening. I left the meeting right after eating - it was raining - I got a ride down to the Masonic Temple in Union with Carol Vengor. Carol told me he was considering starting a store in Poughkeepsie. I got to the Girl Scout Council Meeting before they had finished eating dinner - had to wait about a half hour. The meeting was a joint meeting of the Broom County & also Dutchess Endicott Girl Scout Council. Most of the meeting was devoted to a discussion of whether or not the dues for the Girl Scouts should be raised from 50¢ to 1.00. I made the suggestion that the adults be taxed more but not to increase the dues for the girls - this really stirred up quite a discussion. I left the meeting about 9:00 & stood out front waiting for nearly an hour - boy I was sure sore - the meeting broke up while I was waiting - I learned each couple had to take 30 boxes of girl scout cookies so I got my 30 boxes. Mary finally showed up about 9:50. It was raining quite hard. Mary had

Taken Mrs. De Venti & Keys to the rental
so she had a full car. I drove Keys & his
mother home - Mrs. De Venti bought two
boxes of girl scout cookies. Home 10:15 -
had a bite to eat before putting the
girls to bed. Read the paper - cleaned the
kitchen up some & to bed 11:30. Boy & I
were tired.

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5/1/47 THURSDAY:

I was dead tired yet this morning - I felt so worn down that I decided not to get up. I slept right on thru to 11:30. Then got up & helped Mary move some beds from one room to another. Had lunch with Mary & then drove down to the office about 1:00. I had a lot of mail, just buried with work. I sure kept Don busy. Drew Daly stopped in for awhile - at 5:00 I drove Drew to the Homestead - we stopped over to Union first & I looked at the suit that Bob at Vaughn's was holding for me. I decided to buy it - Bob assured me there was only one other suit like it & that Ralph LaTourrette had bought that one. Got home about 6:00 - cleaned up a bit & at 6:45 Mary & I drove up to the Homestead to the Customs Dinner. Perry Starbuck was away so Bill Davison presided - Walt Harris spoke. Drew Daly was a member of the Class - he introduced us to Mr. Orr - a member of the Customs group who was from Stockton Calif. After the dinner about 9:30 - Drew & Mr. Orr rode home with us. We spent an hour or so looking over the maps & getting his suggestions on our trip to Calif. and especially his ideas as to what we should

see in Calif. He gave us a lot of good ideas. We played some pin ball - Drew couldn't break 100,000 - I got the highest 109,000. Drove Mr. Orr & Drew back to the Homestead about 11:25. My vaccination bothered me quite a bit to - night - my whole arm & side are sore. Mary has a terrible cold to - night - is just about down & out. To bed 12:00.

5/2/47 FRIDAY:

A very rainy day - got up at 7:00 - drove down to the office about 8:15 - took Bob & Mary Lou to school. Left the Buick at the garage to be lubricated & to have the oil changed at 5568 mi. It was raining so the boy drove me over to the office. Had a very busy day. Wrote letters to Conoco & also to Standard Oil to - day asking for maps & information on the trip to California. Also wrote Mr. Burton of our local AAA Office. Received a letter from Roger Williams this morning - he said Arthur had told him about my trip to Calif. - He said that I might get rusty if I were

gone a month without any assignments so he had made one for me. He has arranged for me to talk to the San Jose Quinarian Club on either June 9 or 16th. which ever one would suit me best. I believe I can make it on the 9th. - I certainly would like to do it. Drew Daly was in the office several times this morning - I called Bob Gandon over so he could give Drew & me an account of his discussions with Fick & Charlie Daly at W.H.Q. on the matter of our Gen. Edu. Program being in line with the Wage & Hour Law. At W.H.Q. they are quite concerned about some of the courses being considered hours worked by the labor dept. Although they had received an Ok from the authorities in N.Y.C. They believe we should take the whole story to Washington & get a dispensation if necessary directly from Headquarters. Bob & I agree with them on that. I had Ray Jarvis prepare some data on the whole matter & I hope Bob & I might get to Washington next week. I went over to see Van Borden this morning - he told me he had asked Arton, when he was at W.H.Q. this week, to be relieved of his assignments as chairman of the Dept. - said he didn't have

time to do it - I thought he was kidding
 when he told me several weeks ago that
 he had planned to resign. I told Van
 I was sorry to hear it for the dept.
 had really improved under his guidance.
 He said he didn't know what would
 happen. Miss Downing of the Drake &
 Downing firm called me this morning -
 he is now booking Glen Drake &
 wanted to see me - I arranged to see
 her at 1:30 - she also wanted to meet
 Miss Irvine so I stopped in the personnel
 dept. & arranged for Eleanor to stop over
 to my office at 1:30. I saw Ralph & told
 him about my new int. - he seemed
 very much pleased with it. Drove
 home at 11:30 - had lunch with Mary -
 she had slept all morning - she has
 a terrible cold. Did some shopping for
 Mary after lunch - also mailed the letter to
 Corcoran for my Travelaids Book. Got back
 to the office about 1:15 - Eleanor Irvine stopped
 in about 1:50 & Miss Downing came about 2:00.
 She showed me a lot of testimonials written
 to Glen Drake - is interested in conducting
 a series of lectures on using your pen -

sonality for the Business & Professional Women.
 Eleanor is Vice Pres. of the local B. P. W's. She
 sure isn't an example of what the modern
 business women should be - she had on an
 old faded sweater & her hair was ill kept -
 in short she just looked terrible - & it was
 even more noticeable comparing her with Miss
 Downing who was just the opposite - she was
 really dressed nice. Then to top it off
 Eleanor sat slumped in her chair & had her
 eyes closed part of the time - I was really
 ashamed of her. I had Linn Seely come
 in & meet Miss Downing - also arranged to
 have her talk with Harry Eldred who is
 Program Chairman for the Jr. C. J. C. - Oh yes!
 Drew Daly called from the office this noon
 & reminded me I had forgotten to bring down
 the box of girl scout cookies so after lunch I
 drove over to the Homestead with them - he was
 leaving on the 2:10 train for Hoboken. - Spent
 quite a bit of time with Carl Snyder to-day
 on the Extension activity - we still have
 over 3000 enrolled. About 4:15 I drove over
 to Vaughn's & had my new suit fitted -
 back to the office at 5:00 - Did some more
 shopping & got home about 5:45. Mary

& I both felt just about down & out - we were
 sorry we hadn't cancelled our plans for this
 evening. My vaccination is really going to
 turn - my whole arm & side are sore. I
 helped Mary clean up the house some.
 Oh yes - the Kirks came in from N.Y.C.
 this evening - it seems good to see
 lights up there on the hill again. Bill
 & Joan Stevens came out about 8:30 for
 the evening. Bill announced they were
 expecting in Sept. - he was so coy
 about it - he sure is a different fellow
 since he got married. I showed them
 some movies & we also played PIN BALL
 for awhile - Mary fixed some hamburgers
 for refreshments - we forgot that Joan
 is Catholic & that this is Friday. Bill
 & Joan left about 11:45 - Mary & I both
 felt so down & out we were really glad
 the evening was over - We did the dishes
 & then turned in about 12:15 - my vaccination
 sure is giving me a terrific reaction - I
 ache all over & my arm & side are really
 sore - & here I thought it wasn't even
 going to take at first. - To bed 12:15

5/3/47 SATURDAY:

Warm & showery to-day. Got up at 7:30 - after breakfast - about 9:00 I drove down town - stopped over to Westfall's Hardware Store in Vestal & looked at the magnesium lawn mower I had called & ordered - it was the same as the one I had seen at Hansen's & it was \$28.⁶⁰ where as Ben was asking \$24.⁹⁵ so I cancelled my order & stopped back to Hansen's - bought the lawn mower & a tire tensor - also spoke to Bennett about my porcelainize job next Tue. Stopped at John Smith's & got some Adstone for the car radiator - John showed me his new hoist. Got back home about 10:15 - Mary & the girls were ready so we left right away for Binghamton - stopped at the Bing. Laundry then Mary took the girls in Metro Studio for their dancing lesson. I stopped around to Russ' to check on the telephoto lens & a 35 m.m. camera - Russ is trying to get me. He still hasn't gotten them & I want them for the trip. Russ let me bring home a new aluminum Kodak tripod & also a new Revere Projector to try out. I stopped back to meet Mary & the girls at the studio & ran

into Mr. & Mrs. DeVenti on the street - they
 were in Mr. DeVenti's studio with me - Mr. DeVenti
 got the biggest kick out of seeing Bob &
 Mary Lou dance. Mary & I & the girls
 did some shopping for rugs & linens -
 went to Fowler, Fair Store & the new rug
 store - didn't see quite what we wanted.
 Stopped by the Steak Shop in Johnson City
 for lunch about 2:00 - had a well steak.
 Came on home about 3:00 - Mary & I
 both felt so fogged we laid down
 for a rest - we both felt like calling
 Bob & Jan to tell them we had to
 cancel the plan for to - night. However we
 felt a little better after some rest. Mary
 fixed an early supper about 7:00 - I
 helped her some with the dishes - just
 didn't feel like doing anything - I never thought
 a vacation could make you feel so bad. I
 showed Bob & Mary Lou some movies to
 test the new Revue Projector - Charlie Fox
 had told me how much more steady the
 pictures were on the new projector. I couldn't
 notice much improvement & the machine is
 actually more noisy than my Model 70.
 Bob & Jan came out about 8:45 with

Bob, Mother & Father - I hadn't met Mr. & Mrs. Sheridan before - They are a very nice couple. We had an interesting time discussing our trips to Banff & Lake Louise last year. I showed some movies - actually forgot I had sent my movies of Banff & Lake Louise out to Hawaii to Bill Long. However I had my slides on the trip & Mr. & Mrs. Sheridan seem to really enjoy them. They raved over them! Mr. Sheridan got quite a kick out of the train platform. The Sheridans also liked my paint job in the Kitchen. Mr. & Mrs. Sheridan are planning another trip to Banff & Lake Louise leaving on June 14th. According to their plans they may be in Seattle Wash. about the same time we are there. They are planning to send us a card at Jack & Dorothy's. Bob & his folks had no car so I drove them home about 11:45. When I got home Mary said she had just answered a knock at the door, thinking it was me she came down in her night gown & there it was a taxi driver inquiring for an address. Was she embarrassed! Helped Mary wash up the glasses & dishes - To-bed 12:30. -

5/4/47 SUNDAY:

Warm & rainy to-day - got up about 8:00 - had to hurry around with breakfast & to get ready for Sunday School. I felt a little better to-day. Drove Bob & Mary down to Sunday School - saw Dave Betty for a minute - he asked me how I had made out with Colonel Bates. We had Carlton Poyple as our guest speaker for our Sunday School Class this morning. He gave us an interesting talk on the Police Dept. I was surprised to learn that even an experienced officer makes only \$2860.00/year & out of that he has to buy his own uniform & most of his equipment. I got the girls after Sunday school & came home - Mary had gone back to bed - her cold is still wearing her down. This vaccination of mine sure went on a rampage to-day - one of the big blisters broke & you can see been running out of it all day - I have smeared two shirts with pus on the sleeves. Mary got some dinner for me & then laid down again - I did some work on the car - it was so nice & warm outside - I drained & flushed the radiator & put in the hydrotone. Barbara went in

to Kirby to play with Sally. The Kirks left for N.Y. this afternoon - they drove down. I fixed the tire on Barbara's bike & then had her wash it. I wrote a long letter to Dad telling him I would be coming down on the 23rd. Mary got in some supper about 6:00 - I put up the kitchen clock - I had taken it apart & repainted the shell. Babe & Mary Lou had an evening listening to radio program. I set-up & developed 3 - 35 m.m. film Kodak Plus-X. Mary felt much better - she even did some house cleaning up stairs & kept me company while I developed the film. To-bed 11:15.

5/5/47 MONDAY:

A very rainy day - got up at 7:00 - still felt terrible from my vaccination. Drove down to the office about 8:10 - took Babe & Mary Lou to school. My arm bothered me a lot this morning. Saw Van Borden - he told me he had seen Harry Teetzel, the fellow who bought the lot next to our house, and had asked him about selling us 10' of his lot. I was glad to learn that he is willing to do so. At 9:00 I attended a Customer School opening - Bill Davison presided & Walt Harris spoke on

a representative of the plant. It was a 2nd grade.
 Control Class - just a small group. Boy I
 sure felt terrible this morning - I had hot
 flashes & chills - decided to go over & have
 Dr. Welch take a look at my vaccination.
 Called & got an appointment for 11:20. Doc
 took a quick look at it & said it was a
 sandy - worth a million dollars - said I
 would never get small pox. He advised my
 putting some ice on my arm & side if it
 bothered me too much. I learned there were
 quite a few IBM people having trouble with
 this vaccination. I sure feel sorry for them.
 Gave Don a lot of letters this morning. I
 drove home at 12:00 - had a bite of lunch
 with Mary & then laid down on the couch.
 Mary took my temperature - I had a fever of
 101 $\frac{1}{2}$. The nurse at Hopper School called &
 told Mary that Barbara had a fever &
 should go home. Mary drove down & got
 her - she had a fever of 102°. She said
 she felt OK but Mary put her to bed. I
 got up about 3:00 & returned to the office -
 stopped at Endwell & got Mary some gro-
 ceries - also stopped down town Endicott &
 got a pair of ~~the~~ rubbers. It was still rain-

ing - got back to the office about 4:00. Just in time for the meeting Bob Landon & I had planned with Bill Lewis. Bill was ready to see us - Bob & I went over to his office - first we brought up the matter of the interpretation which Fick & Charlie Daly at W.H.O. had given the Wage & Hour Law with reference to the courses we offer in our Gen. Edu. Program - they had advised Landon that some of our shop & technical courses might be considered 'house worked' & that to be safe we should take a report on the whole program directly to the Labor Dept. at Wash. to get a dispensation from them if necessary. I feel this would be a hazardous thing to do since they might come up with something which would wreck our whole program. I had with me the data I had Bob Sheridan & Ray Jarvis prepared for me showing the types of employees by occupation taking each course in the current program. I showed this to Bill Lewis, also a report on the number of regular job training courses we have also conducted this year & a copy of the Bulletin Board Notice No. 1 Watson prepared in 1935 ~~for~~ on the Voluntary Aspect of the Gen. Edu. Program. I explained my stand to Bill & told him I would rather not take the matter to Washington unless we were actually

forced to do so - he seemed to agree with me.
 Bill thought we were actually in the clear on
 what we were doing - Bob finally came up
 with a solution - he advised writing the log at
 W.H.Q. giving them the whole story & the reports
 I had prepared - indicating that we felt that
 our program was not in violation of the Laws.
 Bill agreed this would be best - so now we
 hope Fick, Daly & Chauncey will be satisfied
 with the data we send them & not force the
 issue if we go to Washington. Bob also
 brought up the matter of payment of our in-
 structors - according to the information Bob
 brought back from W.H.Q. we would have to
 pay time & half for the overtime hours worked
 by any employee instructor at the end of the
 week on those hours after he had worked 40 hrs.
 This seems very unreasonable since his teaching
 work is entirely aside from his regular work -
 but Bob explained that the law demands it.
 Bill told us to try & work up some plan
 that we thought would work & then let him
 see it so I suggested to Bob that we get
 to - gether with Ray & Bob Steiner to - morrow.
 I still feel pretty bad from my vaccination.
 Left the office & drove home about 5:10.

I felt so bad I gave up the idea of going to the girl scout committee meeting with Mary. She went without me - got some supper for me & the girls & then left about 6:00. It was a dinner meeting in the Central Methodist Church in Union. I had supper with Barb & Mary Lou & then had them clean up the kitchen before going to-bed. I felt so bad I couldn't even help them - read the papers - dated some films & then laid down on the couch. Mary didn't get home until 10:45 - They sure do drag out those girl scout meeting - we left early before so Mary decided she would stay until the end this time. Helped Mary do the dishes & to-bed at 11:30.

5/6/47 TUESDAY:

Cold & rainy to-day - got up at 7:00 & were surprised to learn that Barbara had broken out with chicken pox in the night. Boy! - she was covered with them this morning. Mary Lou cried at first & then she couldn't wait to get to school so she could pass on the big news about Barbara. Actually Barb was getting chicken-pox yesterday & we didn't realize it - in fact she showed me a little pimple on her back

before going to - bed last night but I didn't
 think anything about chicken-pox. I felt
 much better to-day - I hope the worse
 of my vaccination is past & I'm well glad
 of it. Drove down to the plant about 8:00 -
 took ~~Mr~~ Mary Lou to school - she ran dis-
 rectly to the first group of kids when I let
 her out & said "Guen What!" - "Barbara
 has the Chicken-Pox." I got quite a kick
 out of it - she could hardly wait to tell
 them. Mary & I were a bit surprised that
 they would let Mary Lou go to school - but
 Mary called Mr. Haley & he said there was
 no rule against it. - I took the Buick to
 Hansen this morning to be porcelainized.
 Geo. the man who does it showed me the
 stuff he uses - it is two liquids - the
 one - a dark liquid is rubbed on first &
 given buffed leaving a hard dull finish on
 the car & then the second, a white liquid
 is rubbed on & polished down to a hard dry
 finish with a very high gloss. - Called Bob
 London over this morning to meet with
 Ray, Bob Hansen & I on the matter of pay-
 ing an instruction in accordance with the
 Wage & Hour Law. Bob insists we have to

pay employee instruction time & half time on the last
 hour worked in the week when the instruction time &
 the regular work hours total over 40 hrs. It sure
 seems like a screwy set-up. After discussing all
 the various angles & also the possibility of disregard-
 ing the preparation time which will really make our
 payments to instructor high — we came up
 with the idea of limiting our faculty to only
 exempt employees since they do not come
 under the law. Actually both Ray & I had
 been thinking of this as a possible solution. It
 seems a bit ~~un~~ unfair to some of our own employees
 to exclude all non-exempt employees & it
 will mean in a few cases we would have
 to go on the outside to get instructors, but
 we can get them. Bob agreed this would be
 perfectly OK — so I decided to pass it on
 to Otton as our recommendation. Had lunch at
 the cafeteria with Ray & after lunch he walk-
 ed over to Hansons with me to see the car.
 Geo. had the one side of the hood porcelainized.
 Boy, it sure does make a difference — even
 seems like a darker green. Geo. seems to
 take great pride in his work. Saw Jeff
 this afternoon & learned he had been having
 trouble with his vaccination — was really sick.

I am agogged with him. Mary & I are
 still undecided as to when to make Charlie
 Baxter a manager as Linn suggested. Actually
 he is a Chief Instructor the same as Jamin.
 Called Sanford this afternoon - he is coming
 to Endicott to-morrow. Had a lot of
 correspondence to get up. Couldn't get my car
 to-night so I called Jeff Knight & got a
 ride home with him. Babe was sure
 covered with Chicken Pox to-night - I felt
 sorry for her - she had them in her ear,
 nose, between the toes & just about every-
 where. After supper to-night I waxed the
 stairs for Mary & then I scrubbed the kitchen
 floor with a special cleaner to remove all
 the wax so it will be ready to paint.
 Then I put the undershirt on the down-
 stair landing - I put some red in the white
 undershirt to make it a pink so it will make
 the color for the pink enamel to cover. Mary
 tried to call Mother several times this
 evening but couldn't get her. I also dated
 some pictures this evening. I to sure is good
 to feel well again. My vaccination is begining
 to dry up. To-bed 11:15.

5/7/47 WEDNESDAY:

A very rainy day. Got up at 6:45 - hurried around & at 7:45 Jeff Knight stopped by for me & gave me a ride down to the office. Left my bag at the office & then walked over to Hansen's to see the car. Geo. had the porcelainizing job well along & assured me I could have the car at noon. Blackie stopped over & we had quite a chat - brought Blackie up to date on some of the activity. Blackie suggested I arrange to have the apprentice attend the Custumer School Dinner at the Homestead. Had a session with Ray & Bob this morning & got their help on a report on the analysis of our Gen. Educ. Program with regard to the Wage & Hour Law. I prepared some data for Bob Landon to send to W.H.Q. At 11:35 I stopped over to Hansen's - Geo. had the porcelainizing job finished - the Buick sure looked swell - he had touched up the spots that needed painting & also painted the tires. He really did a good job - I tipped him ⁵⁰1.00. It was raining & it seemed a shame to drive the car out into it with it absolutely spotless. I drove home & had some lunch with Mary - then I drove over to Binghamton - took

the Revere Projector back to Gun that I had
 borrowed - also took over my royal tri-pod -
 made a deal with Gun on the tripod - he
 swapped my royal for the new eye-level
 Kodak Aluminium Tripod I had + \$14.⁰⁰. That
 is a good deal considering that the new
 Tripod & pan-head retails for ^{\$}35.⁰⁰. Did
 some other shopping & returned to my office
 about 1:30. - Got a call from V. P. W.
 Douglas at W.H.Q. - he said he had
 Kirk's letter to me saying Kirk would be
 unable to attend our Study Club meeting &
 to be our speaker next Tue. Kirk had asked
 Douglas to speak for him but Douglas
 told me he thought he would have to be
 in Chicago - but would let me know to -
 morrow. Called Frank Furman & let him know
 the bad news. I tried to call Otter this after-
 noon but couldn't get him. Had a very
 busy afternoon - a lot of letters to get out.
 Went down town at 4:30 & did some
 shopping for Mary - back to the office at
 5:00 but was right on home. Returned to the
 office at 5:45 - Ray & I listen to the
 speaker, Mr. A. C. Deatin - District Dir.
 of F.H.A., talk to the Home Planning Class

on financing - he was quite interesting. About 6:00 I drove down to Hotel Frederick. Fred Bryant was there waiting for me - Fred was our speaker for our April Meeting - I presented him to the group & he put on a really nice show. I was quite pleased - every one seemed to like it. I paid him \$15.00.

We had a short Directors Meeting following our regular meeting - we acted upon several requests for extended leave of absence - we had gotten a bit disturbed about this - there are too many asking for permission to be excused from attending meetings. I drove out to Dor & met Fred after the directors meeting - Roy had come down to our meeting to see Fred's show. He showed Fred & I some tricks. He has with him 7 of them & seems to enjoy showing them. I came on home about 9:15 - got some frozen custard & brought it home for Barbara - Mary & I took it up - tried to see & see all over it to-gather - Kate has been in bed with the Chicken Pox since Tue. Morning. She certainly is spluttering with them. I did a little painting in the lavatory - put on some more undercoat. To-bed 11:30.

5/8/47 THURSDAY:

Partly cloudy & very cold to-day - a most unusual day - several snow flurries. Got up at 7:00 - Mary drove me down to the office about 8:00 - took Mary Lou to school. Had a very busy day. Palmer Hager stopped in this morning & brought me up to date on his Horse Race Game - he is having a search made by Beach the same old fellow who made the search for me on the Staten mech. Palmer showed me one of the little horses he uses in his game - it sounds like he may something good. I talked with Citon at W.H.Q. this morning - asked to come down & see him to-morrow but he said he would be too busy - so I told him about the session I had with Landon & with Lewis on the Wage & Hour Law - Dwayne agreed with our decision to limit our Gen. Edu. Program Faculty to exempt employees only - however he suggested we put nothing in writing announcing an such policy. Dwayne told me he had just gotten a war thinking of getting a model C3 Argus Camera & asked my advise. I told him Ray had traded his older Argus camera for a model C3 & I thought they were worth the money.

They live for about \$10.⁰⁰ & have the built in floor
 feature. I told Duayne I was glad to know he is
 getting more serious with his photography. Duayne
 also said he thought Edna might be coming up
 for the weekend - I told him we would be glad to
 meet her if he would let me know how & when
 she is coming. He said he would let me know.
 Had lunch at 11:30 with Ray at the cafeteria.
 Dave Sanford called about 12:00 from Binghamton -
 said he, Dave & her sister husband were all hav-
 ing lunch at the Community. After lunch I stopped
 over to see Cy McElwain - told him about Fern
 inquiring whether Baxter was a manager. Cy agreed
 with Moe & I that he shouldn't be closed on a
 manager - however Cy did think Charlie should be
 given a \$10.⁰⁰ raise - he also approved raise for
 Gene & Jerry. I told Cy about Dave Sanford com-
 ing up to look over the job that we are going
 to Pomphreysville. Got some ideas from Cy on the
 matter of a job training center - he agrees we should
 have one. Dave arrived about 2:00 - I called
 Bob Landon over to dinner with Ray, Dave & I
 The matter of paying instructors under the new
 plan - Dave didn't like our idea of using only
 exempt employees - this would give him more
 than Ray. We asked Bob to determine whether

we would have to pay for preparation time - if
 this could be eliminated - the whole matter would
 be much more simple. Bob said he doubted whether
 we could get around this but he would check it
 further. About 2:45 - I had to go up to Room
 202 for an opening of a Customer School - I was
 rather surprised - as it was a very irregular time.
 It was a small group of about 15 men from
 Montgomery & Ward Co. - they are having only a
 three day school. I received a wire from Vice
 Pres. Douglas this afternoon saying he could not
 be with us next Tue. for our Study Club Meeting.
 I told Frank Furman & we agreed to wait until
 Kirby's letter came in before taking further steps.
 Mary stopped down for me at 5:15. Oh yes - I
 took Dave over & introduced him to Furman
 about 4:00 & left him there to talk with Frank
 on the Study Club. One of Dave's missions to
 Endeavor is that of getting lined up to start
 a Study Club at Plant #2. When I got
 home I put on some old clothes & painted
 some more after supper in the laboratory. Dave
 called about 8:00 & I drove down to the Hotel
 to get him. Brought him out to the home.
 Played some Pin Ball & showed Dave the
 train platform - he had never seen it all

set up as it is in the basement. Had quite a
 chat with Dad about his trip back from California &
 got some suggestions from him. I did some more
 painting while Dad & Mary played pin ball.
 Dad really liked my paint job in the kitchen.
 About 11:00 I drove Dad back to the Hotel &
 then hurried home to paint the kitchen floor -
 I was determined not to let it go any longer.
 Mary helped me some cleaning the floor.
 Boy, the blue floor sure makes a big difference.
 It just sets off the entire job. Mary went on to
 bed about 12:00 - I finished the painting about
 12:20 - To bed 12:30.

5/9/47

FRIDAY:

Partly cloudy & very cool to-day - had
 some more snow flurries. Got up at 7:00 -
 we had to be careful of the paint on the
 kitchen floor this morning. Drove down to the
 plane at 8:00 - took Mary Lou to school.
 Saw Mac this morning & told him of my session
 with G yesterday. Dad came in at 8:30.
 I called Brubaker over & we discussed the new
 of visual aids in the new training program at
 Poughkeepsie - as usual Bruce has a lot of
 fancy ideas - however we can use some of his

suggestion. Took Dave over to Miss' Office & arranged with Miss' to take Dave around to the various managers & to help him on looking over the jobs that are going to be moved to Poughkeepsie. - The letter from Kirk came in this morning saying he could not be with us for the Study Club Meeting next Tue. He gave ^{as} the reason the fact that he expects to leave in the near future for Europe & has a lot of things which demands his attention at W.H.Q. before he can leave. I took Kirk's letter & also Douglas' wire over to show them to Frank Furman - he was having a meeting of the Study Club Officers - Ralph La Tourette, Ray Jarvis, Paul Marini & Dodge Powell. We agreed we would like to ask Tom Watson Jr. to be our speaker but Frank thought I should talk to Kirk about it first - so I put in a call to W.H.Q. for Mr. Kirk. Finally when the call went thru I discovered that Mr. Kirk was in Endicott - I called his home & got Shirley - she told me Mr. Kirk had gone down to the plant. I called Harris' Office & discovered he was in Lewis' Office right there in the Lab. - Talked with Charlie & told him how sorry we were he couldn't be our speaker - asked his advice on calling Tom Watson Jr. - he said it would be nice to

do so but he thought, Tom Jr. couldn't make it. Kirk suggested Mr. Phillips or Charlie Love, but also doubted whether they could come. I asked Charlie about our getting Bill Lewis if Tom Jr. couldn't make it & he agreed that would be good. - I put a call in for Tom Jr. at W.H.Q. but he was out of his office. - Ralph & Ray had some fun joking about their campaign for President of our Study Club. We have all had some fun bidding them. Actually I don't think Ray has a chance against Ralph. Mary stopped back to the office with Dale about 12:30 & I went to lunch with them in the cafeteria. Had Mary ^{spend} some time with Dale again this afternoon - about 2:00 I drove down town & over to Union - got my new suit at Vaughn's - a \$60.00 ^{one} suit, Shapira & Marks. Also picked out a pair of slacks & a couple of sport shirts for the trip - however I bring them home. Got back to the office about 3:00 - put the call in again to Tom Jr. - finally got him about 4:00 - he was very nice about it but explained he couldn't make it as he had a Boy Scout Council Meeting to attend next Tue. Tom has just recently been made Commissioner of Boy Scouts in N.Y.C. Tom

also said - he was young & healthy & that
 we could get him sometime later. - Spent
 part of the afternoon with Ray & Dave discussing
 our mutual problems in the Gen. Edu. Program.
 I got out a couple of general letters to all
 the boys. Had quite a few things to finish up
 as I won't be in the first of the week. Saw
 Van Gordon & told him of my plans for
 next week. Perry Starbuck stopped in & I
 brought Perry up to-date on what we had
 been doing. About 5:10 I drove Dave down
 to the Hotel Frederick - he ~~was~~ was getting
 the limo down to the air-port & taking the
 6:00 plane to Alaska - plans to spend the
 weekend with Dave & her sister. I arranged
 to go back to Poughkeepsie with Dave & Dave
 Sunday Night. Did some shopping for
 Mary & then drove home - Oh yes! I
 stopped around to Al Ware's this afternoon &
 borrowed Al's telephoto lens for my movie camera.
 It sure is swell of Al to let me have it.
 Charlie Cherry also let me have his wide
 angle lens for my Leica. Boy! I sure am
 going to be well equipped. After supper I
 went up to Snover to get some moulding
 for the floor in the kitchen - didn't have it.

Painted some more in the lavatory this evening. Also finished painting the Lion emblem for the car. Max made me a bracket for it in the Apprentice Shop - I got it to-day. I tried my camera on the new tripod - they run well - I can hardly wait to start the trip. Read the papers & to-bed 11:30. —

5/10/47 SATURDAY.

Clear & warmer to-day - a beautiful day. Got up about 8:00 - wrote some of my back notes in this book & Mary came down & got breakfast about 8:30 - about 8:45 I drove down town - got my hair cut - did some shopping on the Ave. & in Union - stopped at Beckwith's Lumber Yard for some moulding & was home about 10:00. Had just time to wash the car before Mary had to leave for Binghamton at 10:30 with Mary Lou for her dancing lesson at 11:00. etc. etc. the first time I had washed the car since I had purchased it. It sure looks good! Babe had to miss her dancing lesson - her chicken-pox are beginning to dry up a little but she won't be able to go out for over a week yet. I started putting on the finish coat in

The Lavatory - light blue ceiling & pink enamel walls. It sure looks nice. Went up to Snoden & got the moulding cut for the kitchen. At 12:30 I fixed up a little lunch for Babe & me - washed the dishes & then did some more painting in the lavatory. Mary & Mary Lou didn't get home until about 4:00. I took my movie camera & tripod out & tried out the telephoto lens I borrowed from Al Ware. Took some comparison shots with it - first using my regular lens & then the telephoto lens with the same setting. Robert De Venti came over - I put the Lions Emblem on the front bumper - it looks very nice. Fixed some chemicals to get ready to print pictures to-night - after supper I did some more painting & then about 7:30 I started printing pictures - just in a very busy evening. After she got the girls to bed Mary drove down town & went to the movie - saw "The Sea of Grass" with Spencer Tracy & Katharine Hepburn. I printed three of my 35m.m. films - have 3 more to print - at least I got pretty up to date on my printing. The last ones I printed were taken in March. Mary got home about 11:00 - had some

ice cream for me. She said the picture was wonderful. Mary helped me some & I finished painting the kitchen floor - the part around the cedar door. It sure looks good - got it finished - cleaned up & to-bed about 12:50.

5/11/47 SUNDAY:

Another clear, beautiful day. Got up about 8:00 - It sure was a nice day for Mother's Day. I got dressed & at 9:30 I took Mary Lou down to Sunday School - Babe had to stay home with the children - Pox. I thought about the Bible quiz when I was nearly down town - so I turned back - but I met Virginia - bringing them down. I stayed for the main class - Ben gave us his usual fine interpretation of the lesson. After Sunday School I got Mary Lou & hurried home so Mary could go back to Church. I put on my old clothes & went back to work on the paint job - had a lot of little odd jobs to do. Helped Mary get driven when she got home at 12:20. Mary & I are both thrilled with the kitchen - it looks so nice. I dated the picture after dinner. John Smith stopped over with his jeep this afternoon - I showed John my paint job -

also the train platform & pin ball game. John had planned to take the girls for a ride in the jeep but the Walkers came about that time. Della had called & wanted to see the picture - I told her I had just ed some of Marilyn last night. Ralph & Della had Mrs. Low & Marilyn with them. They didn't come in as they were afraid Marilyn might get the Chicken Pox. Ralph & Della seemed pleased with the picture - I charged them a dollar for them so they don't think I am giving them something - I think it is better that way. - I put a slide film in my Leica after they left & took a couple of color pictures of the car - one of the Lion Emblem on the front bumper. Mary let Babe go out door & play for awhile - it was such a beautiful day. I got my bag packed & dressed ready to leave for Poughkeepsie about 4:30 - Mary fixed me a sandwich or a bite of supper. Dave & Davie arrived about 5:20 just as I was about to eat the sandwich. We left about 5:45 for Poughkeepsie. Dave was driving Davie's father's 1938 Buick - that is a lot better than Davie's old Plymouth. Below Hancock

Dave took the accelerator pedal & had to use the hand throttle from then on it. He stopped a couple of places to get it fixed but couldn't get anyone to do it. He explained all the way on in about Buick's breaking down - we got in a friendly argument about Buick's vs Plymouth. Arrived here at the Yelton Home about 10:30. Didn't bother stopping on the way down for anything to eat so after I checked it at the Hotel I walked down the street to the new Cyp's Diner for a sandwich & some coffee. Returned to my room #424 - wrote these notes - read the paper - took a shower & To-bed 12:00.

5/12/47 MONDAY:

A beautiful day - clear & warmer - a lovely spring day! I over slept this morning - I had my teeth clean last night for 6:50 & it was off - but I turned it off & never remembered ever turning it on. Luckily I did wake up at 7:30. Dave had planned to meet me at 7:45 so I really hurried around. Shaved, dressed, packed & was down in the lobby with my bags out about ~~at~~ 7:50 - Dave was then waiting for me. I checked

out of the Nelson House - did better with my
 breakfast - rode down to the plant with
 Dave. Learned from Alice that Dave
 wouldn't be in to-day - he stayed in Endicott.
 Dave & I had a chat with Ray Shendan
 on the training program for the new model
 electric typewriter - Ray gave some good
 suggestions again - he was in against using
 visual aids in the form of pictures. He
 promised to give Dave some help in getting
 lined up with the instructional material on the
 new machine. Dave & I stopped in the little
 assembly room where they are putting to-
 gether 15 models of the new machine - Fran Ritz
 is in charge of the project - he showed us a
 couple of finished machines. The new one is a nice
 looking typewriter - got it all over the old one.
 Dave & I left the plant about 9:40 & drove
 up town - Dave had to get a tube for his
 car - I went to the dinner & got some break-
 fast. Then while Dave had the tube put in the
 tire I did some shopping for letter decals for
 my car - couldn't find them anywhere in Pough-
 keepie. While Dave packed his bag I took
 his old Plymouth & drove over to Campbell -
 returned the book Mary had borrowed from

Mrs. Campbell - had a nice chat with Mrs. Campbell. Dave & I left for West Point about 11:00 - drove down the ~~the~~ East Shore & over Bear Mountain Bridge - it was a beautiful morning & a beautiful drive. Arrived here at the U. S. Hotel Thayer about 12:15 - checked in, & then registered for the Annual Meeting of the American Association for Adult Education. Saw Dr. Spence of the N. Y. State Education Dept. - he is the only one attending that I know. Had a look around & about 1:30 we attended the first Luncheon Meeting - there were about 125 present - I had expected to see a larger group. We had a very nice lunch - then the key note speaker for the conference was Dr. Edward C. Lindeman - Prof. of Social Work, N. Y. School of Social Work, Columbia Univ. He spoke on Adult Education and the Democratic Discipline - gave an excellent talk. It was the first time I had ever heard him. I went up & introduced myself after the meeting & learned he was Doris Lindeman's father as I had surmised. He told me he no longer owned the place out at High Bridge N. J. - At 3:30 we all joined in the Ballroom for a panel discussion on

The subject "Factor Effecting the Success or Failure of Adult Education". Dave & I slipped out at 4:15, I got my movie camera & Leica & we drove over to the West Point Parade Grounds - got there just in time for the cadet parade & drill. I got some movies & color slides - used the telephoto lens on the movie & the wide angle lens on the Leica. It was a beautiful afternoon - grand picture weather. It is a thrilling sight to see the cadet parade. It is all over in about a half hour - 4:30 to 5:00. Dave drove down town in the little town of Highland Falls & we did some shopping. Dave had a bad day - botched all day with what he calls Rose Fever - it is just like hay fever only this time of year they call it Rose Fever. Came back to the room & had a short nap - then at 6:45 we drove back down town for dinner - ate at a little restaurant Benny Haven's just fair. Got back to the Hotel in time for the evening meeting at 8:00 in the Ballroom. They showed a movie entitled "The Bridge" showing Business, Agriculture & Industry of South America - the airplane in the Bridge for South America to other countries. Laurence Duggan, Director, Institute of International

Education spoke on "The Implications for
 Adult Education on World Citizenship" - he
 gave a good talk but was too long. Dave
 & I hurried back to our room after the talk
 about 10:00 - Dave called his wife & had
 her call Will about meeting us to-morrow
 morning. I recalled this evening that I
 had forgotten to pick up my return reservation
 in Banghamton before I left home - so
 Dave & I figured out how I could go back
 Wednesday on the train to Albany & then a
 Robinson Plane to Endicott. I called
 Mary & asked her to call & on meet
 to-morrow & had him cancel my train
 reservation & get me a seat on the
 5:45 plane from Albany to Endicott. -
 Wilbur called back a little later & told
 Dave he had an invitation from Kirk's
 Office to attend a dinner for the retiring
 superintendent of schools of N.Y.C. Dr. John
 Wade at the Waldorf Astoria on Thursday
 Night - that raised the question as to whether
 I may also have an invitation back home.
 Dave & I read the paper here in the
 room & then turned in about 11:15.
 Wrote a letter to ^{brother} Ray & one to Daly to-night.

5/13/47 TUESDAY:

Partly cloudy to-day - however bright this morning - got very warm to-day. Got up about 7:30 - had breakfast in the dining room here at the Hotel Thayer - saw Mrs. Rhea Eckel of Syracuse & spoke to her. Dave & I met Wilbur in the lobby about 9:15 - there were quite a few who arrived to-day. I saw my old friend Dr. Davis, Pres. of Stevens' Inst. Dave, Will & I sat in on the business session at 9:30 - I spoke to Mr. Morse A. Cartwright after the meeting - introduced myself & gave him Dwight's message that he was sorry he couldn't attend the meeting. At 11:00 Dave, Will & I split up & each went to a different session - I attended the one on Community Organization led by Dr. Ralph Spence - he had us each introduce ourselves first. We discussed Principles of Community Organization for Adult Education. Will attended the session on Preparation of Materials & Dave the one on Adult Psychology. I took a couple pictures of the Hotel this morning also had Will take one of Dave & I. I got a letter from Don this noon - but not an answer on my transportation -

just some information from the office. The
 Luncheon session was interesting - they had
 six ex G.I.s tell of their views on the
 "Veteran's View of Adult Education Essentials".
 Then at 3:00 Will sat in on the Workshop
 session on "Family Life Problem" - Dave & I
 attended the one on "Industrial & Business
 Programs for Training and Education". I had
 an opportunity to tell the small group about
 our program in IBM - I was pleased there
 was so much interest in it - but as usual
 the discussion finally got around to one on
 Union & how can you get the Union to
 cooperate on training of certain types. After
 the session a Mr. Norton of the Univ. of
 Alabama came up & spoke to me - said he
 would like to have a man from IBM come
 down & talk to a group of business men at
 The Univ. of Alabama - he said he didn't want
 an Educator but a Business man - I suggested
 Mr. Kirk & he said he would write him.
 Will left after the session was over at 4:45 to
 drive back to Poughkeepsie - he seemed pleased
 that I had asked him to attend the meet-
 ings to-day. Dave called the plane to-
 day & learned from Alice that Will &

his wife had also been invited to attend
 the dinner for Dr. Wade at the Waldorf on
 Thursday Evening. I received a telegram from
 Don this afternoon telling me I had a
 reservation on Flight #23 to-morrow from Albany
 to Endicott - Don didn't mention the dinner
 in N.Y.C. so it apparently doesn't include me -
 for which I am thankful, for I do want to
 attend the meeting at Cornell on Thu. Dave &
 I attended the session at 4:45 on Leadership
 Training - led by Paul Sheets of the Univ. of
 Calif. It turned out to be just a session
 of hashing around the definition of a leader -
 Many in the group got the idea a good leader
 of a group was one who inspired leadership in others
 in a group & let them take the lead. Dave & I
 felt the session was pretty much a loss of time
 as far as we were concerned. Got out of the
 meeting about 6:00 & drove down town in
 Highland Falls to do some shopping but the
 stores were closed. Went in to Benny Haven's
 Restaurant for dinner - a couple of the fellows
 from the conference came in & joined us. One
 of them was quite outspoken in his belief that
 the AAPA is dominated or at least a seat
 for a lot of communistic interests. I think

he was right at least in part. After eating Dave & I took a ride around the town & also the Academy. It was a dull rainy evening but the scenery was beautiful never-the-less. Got back to the Hotel about 8:00 for our evening session. —

Major General Maxwell D. Taylor — who is Superintendent of the U.S. Military Academy spoke to us & gave us a welcome to West Point — I was surprised to see he was such a young looking man — a very good speaker.

Following him there were three other talks — One by Thomas R. Adam — on "Education for International Relations" — one by Dr. H. A. Cartwright on "Man Media, Use or Mis-use". & last one by the president of the AAEE — the colored gentleman Dr. Alain Locke on Education for Adulthood. They were all very good talks but much too long — they were 40 to 45 min. talks & 3 of them was just too many to listen to at one time. We didn't get out of the session until after 10:30. I talked with Paul Sheets for a while — learned he knew Dwayne. Dave & I went to our room about 11:00 — I wrote a letter to Dorothy & Jack told them a little of our plans for the trip. To-bed 11:30.

5/14/47 WEDNESDAY:

A very rainy day at West Point. It was raining when Dave & I got up at 7:30 - I began to wonder whether I would be able to fly from Albany down to Endicott. Had breakfast at the Hotel - a Dr. Gilander & a Mr. Hudson both with the National Tuberculosis Association etc with Dave & I. At 9:30 I attended the Workshop session on "Getting The University or College Off its Hill" it was a discussion pretty largely on College extension activities & how they contribute to Adult Education. Dave attended the session on "The Program for Improved Understanding of International Relations" I saw him in the lobby directly after the session & Dave was all steamed up - said he had just sat in on a meeting of "damn communist" - said they had proposed a resolution that the Atomic Power be turned over for international control & also that the Motion Pictures from Hollywood be barred from being shown abroad on the grounds that they do not truly represent American Life as it is lived. Both of these are objectives of the communists. At 11:15 Dave & I split up

again & went to different sessions - I attended the 2nd. meeting of the session on Leadership Training & Dave attended the one on Workers' Education. Paul Sheets led our session & did a little better than yesterday - however we really didn't accomplish much - but then the time was too limited. Met Dave in the lobby at 12:30 - we checked out right away & left for Poughkeepsie - drove up the old Storm King Highway to Newburgh & stopped there at Cyp's Diner for lunch - it was a very pretty drive even on a rainy day - I kept wondering whether flight #23 would leave Albany. Dave drove me right down to the station when ^{we} got to Poughkeepsie - I called Robinson Airlines at Albany to check in for my flight & the girl assured me that the flight would go out but that it might be a half hour late. Don had told me in the letter I got from him yesterday that Ted Pulse had wanted to see me so I called Ted from the station - he wanted to know how much & what new equipment we would need for our classes in the new plant at Poughkeepsie - I referred him to Dave for the details. I got the 2:48 Train for Albany. Got a seat in the Pullman

Can so I could do some writing on my way
 to Albany - I'm going to be so busy when
 I get back I want to have my report at
 least partly prepared when I get home. The
 weather cleared up after we left ~~XX~~ Poughkeepsie
 & by the time we reached Albany at 4:30
 it was beautiful - bright blue sky & the sun
 shining - my spirits were really raised. As
 soon as I got in the station I called the
 Robinson Airlines Office at the airport & was shock-
 ed to find that they had cancelled flight #23.
 I told the girl I couldn't understand that with
 the swell weather here in Albany - she told
 me they had just received word from Utica
 that the weather there & in Endicott prevented
 them from making the flight. Gee - I was
 disappointed. The girl looked up the train schedule
 for me & found I could get a D&H train out
 at 5:15 - I had her call Mary to tell her
 I would be down by train arriving at Binghamton
 9:40. The train had no dinner so I got a
 bite to eat at the lunch counter in the station.
 Was surprised to find myself eating right
 beside ex-governor Lehman - I don't know
 whether I would have known him except that
 I heard some one mention he was in the

station. No one seemed to make any fuss about it - I guess he is sort of out of the public eye now. I was glad to find the 5:15 P.M. train had one modern de-lux coach so it really was quite comfortable. I made good use of my time preparing my report on the AAPE Meeting. Got quite a bit accomplished. The train got in to Binghamton on time about 9:40 - I was glad to find Mary there waiting for me. She brought me up to date on the news - I was glad to learn that Ray Jarvis had been elected President of the IBM Study Club last Tue. Eve. I was a bit surprised for I thought Ralph Faborster really had the better chance. I called Ray when I got home & congratulated him & got some data on what had happened while I was gone. Dwayne had gotten in from W.H.Q. this evening. I called him at the Homestead - he hadn't seen Dean Newhouse as yet, who is here from Univ. of Washington. I had planned to have bl. with him to-morrow morning but Orlan agreed I had better not bother as I had to leave for Cornell at 9:00 & they wouldn't be ~~coming~~ getting up until late. Dwayne & Edna drove in from N.Y.C. this afternoon - Mr. Watson is coming to-morrow. To-bed 11:45.

5/15/47 THURSDAY:

Partly cloudy & cool to-day. Got up at 6:45 - hurried around with Bh. & at 7:45 drove down to the plant - left the car at the Buick Garage & had Eddie balance the front wheels. Got to the office about 8:00 - Had a busy hour at the office - saw Max Nelson & Carl Snyder on a number of things. Don didn't come in until 9:00 as he works late this night so I gave Barbara some work to give Don. Had a lot of mail to look over. Ray Jarvis asked me to take a Mrs. Hiemer back to Alton with me - she had come down to take part in the demonstration of kitchen equipment at the County Club for our Home Planning Club. I went down to the garage & got my car at 9:00 - picked up Mrs. Hiemer at the school at 9:00 & then left for Cornell - Mrs. Hiemer is a research specialist in Home Economics - I had good company on the trip to Cornell. Stayed at Al Warr's for year. Left to Cornell about 10:10 - left Mrs. Hiemer at the Home Economics Bldg. & then went to the ^{N.Y.S.} School of Industrial & Labor Relations for the meeting. Dr. Emerson had arranged. I was a bit late on the

meeting started at 10:00 & they were just getting
 under way in the conference room. I was surprised
 at the group Lynn Emerson had gotten to-gether -
 these 18 of us all to-gether - several fellows I knew,
 including Sterling Mudge, Cnd. Schrage, Laason &
 Coming Glass, Tom Finsterbach from Buffalo & John
 Sandler from Albany. It was quite a high
 class group. Dr. Emerson led us in a
 discussion of plans for a 2 day conference for
 training directors. Spent the morning discussing
 topics to be covered in the two day conference.
 At 12:30 we went over to Willard Straight Hall
 for lunch saw Prof. Chamberlain - I sat with
 Mr. Gates of Eastman Kodak & Mr. Nelson of
 General Electric & got acquainted with them.
 We carried on discussion on for a couple of
 hours after lunch. Finished up about 4:50 &
 I left right away for home - came back by
 Cicapoint & got at the office at a few minutes
 to 5:00 - Called Dwayne at the Homestead &
 learned he would like me to pick Edna up down
 town at the "Town & Country" & bring her up to the
 Homestead. I called Mary & found Edna had
 spent the morning with her - how the gossip
 must have flown. I drove down town & had
 to wait about a half hour for Edna while

she picked out a couple of dresses - she got four
 dresses all to gether. I drove her up to the
 Homestead - saw Miss Mary Noble Smith who was
 up from N.Y.C. Dwayne was in his room
 getting some notes prepared for the dinner to-
 night - he said Dean Newhouse was
 resting in his room so I didn't bother him.
 Dwayne showed me his new camera - he
 got a new Eastman 35. Had his first
 film in it. Drove back home & got
 cleared up for the dinner at the Home-
 stead - Mr. Watson & Mr. Kirk were driving
 up from W.H.Q. - left N.Y. about 2:15. Mary
 & I drove up to Homestead at 7:00 - it
 was a big group a lot of guests invited and
 Mr. Watson was expected - Ray introduced
 me to Dean Newhouse of Wash. Univ. I was
 surprised to find he was such a young man.
 I had the good fortune to sit next to a
 Mr. Huxley who lived most his life in
 Seattle Wash. I got tips from him for our
 trip. Mr. Watson arrived shortly after we
 got underway with our dinner. Mr. Kirk came
 in with him - Mrs. Watson had come
 up but didn't come to the dinner. We
 learned afterward she had a cold & Mrs.

Watson made her rest. Dwayne conducted the meeting in his masterful way — Dean Newhouse spoke informally — he is a good speaker but very informal about it all. There was a large retail Customer Club & about 8 Customer Engineers from our World Trade Div. who were being honored. Mr. Watson presented the certificates to the Customer Engineers — Mr. Watson spoke & gave us a very down-to-earth talk on IBM Policy — he was brief than usual. After the dinner Mary & I had an opportunity to talk briefly with Mr. Watson along with a group of people — I was surprised to learn he knew Betty was expecting. He had heard it from Mr. Atkinson — Mary had just gotten a letter from Betty to-day in which she told us the news. After the group thinned out a bit I took my opportunity to talk with Dean Newhouse on manager training — when up to his room with him & he gave me a couple of books on discussion leadership which he had prepared. Also had a chance to talk with Charlie Kirk & wished him a pleasant voyage to Europe — he said he had heard I was planning to do some traveling — referring to the trip to Calif. He bided me a bit in front of Oton, Newhouse & some of the girls.

Charlie likes to take me for a ride - however when Clinton indicated perhaps I should arrange it so IBM would pay my expenses - Kirk said he had gained enough experience so he now gets IBM to pay for his trips. I wondered whether that was a trip to me. I told Charlie I guess I was still a freshman at it. I arranged with Newhouse to see him at Wash. Univ. while I am at Seattle. Mary came on home with the DeVentis & I stayed to talk with Newhouse until he left with Dwayne & Edna for the train about 11:15 - Edna went back to N.Y. to-night so Dwayne's mother could come up to-morrow. I got home about 11:30 - To-bed 11:45. -

5/16/47 FRIDAY:

Partly cloudy & rainy to-day. Got up about 7:00 - Drove down to the office at 8:00 - took Mary Lou to school. Had a very busy day. Received a telegram from Paul Lapointe of Montreal asking for the IBM Translator system which was used at Dallas Texas to be used at a conf. in Montreal at the end of May.

I called Walter O'Donnell at W.H.Q. & learned there would be no equipment available. - I saw Ralph La Tourette this morning & spoke to him about Bob Sheridan's transfer - he has a spot for Bob with Harold Pithin during the summer. Bob Bruce is leaving Harold to be assistant to the President of American Machine & Foundry Co. I think Bob Sheridan will have a good break working with Harold for 3 months. - ~~He~~ Ralph told me a little about what happened with his campaign for Pres. of the Study Club - Gaven Cullen backed out as his nominator at the last minute - Ralph was frank to admit that was what defeated him - he had to have Bud Austin pinch hit as his nominator & I know Bud just couldn't draw the votes that Gaven could have. I told Ralph I was sorry he didn't get it but also glad that Ray was elected. I told Bob about the job with Harold Pithin for the summer & he said he would like it very much. At 11:00 I drove down town & went to Glenn Watts - had my teeth all looked at - Glenn cleaned them but found no cavity - I am very glad - However the one front tooth that has the entire inside filled is getting bad again - Glenn

looked on the record & found he had filled it
 back in 1938 - The filling is leaking some &
 he believes we should try to replace the
 filling after I get back from California. Came
 back to the office as I didn't want to be
 away too long - Mr. Watson & Mr. Kirk
 were at the plant all day & Dr. Wayne
 was at the school. About 12:30 I drove
 here for lunch - got a letter from Ray-
 mond & an announcement of Herbert's Gradu-
 tion from Pingry School - Ray still hasn't
 heard as to whether Herb will get into
 LaFayette this fall. Got back to the
 office about 1:30. Saw Mr. Almon & had a
 chat on our training problem. About 2:30
 a Mr. Allen & Mr. Post of the N. Y. Telephone
 Co. stopped in to have a look at our training
 set-up. Ray & I talked to them for awhile &
 then I took them over to see Van Gorden -
 They said that other training men they want
 to bring in next week. About 4:00 I got
 in to see Carter - he was using his old
 office all day - Perry was out of town.
 Had about an hour with Dr. Wayne &
 had a chance to cover a lot of things.
 Dr. Wayne is interested in the job we are

doing for the expansion program at Poughkeepsie. He was quite disturbed that Management hadn't come to our dept. for our suggestion - instead I had to go to them & offer our help. - I was glad to see in the paper this morning that Paul Denell had been made manager of the Personnel Dept. at Plant #2 - Bill Main has been made Work Manager & Joe McMane Superintendent. I sent them letters of congratulation to-day. Dwayne knew of the promotion - he told me he had even considered bringing Paul into our dept. in charge of all Manager Training - Dwayne is not satisfied with Mac Almon - in fact he refuses to recognize Mac as our Manager Training Teacher - apparently Dean Yeshome had not been favorably impressed with Mac. Dwayne admitted Yeshome had indicated Mac did not have the right outlook on the job. In fact Dwayne said he had even talked with Kirk about Mac's adverse reaction to some of the things we are doing. Drove home at 5:15 - spent some time before leaving the office with Bob Sheridan going over the material he had prepared for me for my talk to the Kiwanis Club on at San Jose. Spent the evening doing

some more painting in the little lavatory.
 Had some more porch enamel to put on.
 Mary & I also played some Pin Ball -
 Mary went on to bed at 10:00 - I
 went to bed about 11:30 - read Life
 before retiring.

5/17/47 SATURDAY:

Partly cloudy & rainy to-day.
 Got up about 7:30 - went to work on
 the kitchen & lavatory painting after
 breakfast. About 10:00 Dwayne drove
 in with his friend from California,
 Mr. Robert J. Wright - a well looking
 fellow from Fresno Calif. Dwayne
 had his new Eastman 35 Camera with
 him & insisted on getting some pictures
 of me & the family even though I had on
 my old painting clothes. I also took some
 pictures of Dwayne & Bob Wright with
 Dwayne's camera & I got my Leica and
 took a couple of colored slides. Mary
 had to leave at 10:30 with Mary Lou for
 Binghamton - this morning she had her
 last dancing lesson until fall. Dwayne
 had stopped over to give me some

suggestions on our trip to Calif. I got out a couple of maps & both he & Bob started giving me a barrage of suggestion of things we should do, & not to do. Both though we were foolish to think of driving thru Death Valley in June. I gave up the idea after their ^{very} definite warning not to do so - Duwayne thought I wasn't allowing myself enough time to do what we had planned & to reach San Jose on June 9th. He suggested we leave on the 29th. instead of 30th & I intend to heed this suggestion. In fact Bob suggested I should wire back for an extension of time as I would probably need it before we get finished. I hidded Duwayne a little about this. I was surprised to hear Bob say the Fresno Valley is so hot in June - in fact he even suggested we try to miss it on our trip - however I had planned to drive from San Jose to Los Angeles over the highway down the Fresno Valley. Duwayne suggested we get 10 lbs. of dry ice & carry it in the car. - I'll be anxious to see whether it is really as bad as they say it is. Duwayne & Bob left at 11:00 - I did some more painting - Carolyn

Billy came over to play with Barbara -
 she has had chicken pox. I had them
 play outside. I did some touch-up painting
 on the electric stove - put strips of chrome
 red on the handle - boy what a difference
 in appearance! Mary & Mary Lou got home
 about 1:30 - she got in some lunch -
 about 3:30 I got cleaned up - dressed &
 we all drove out to the Country Club to see
 what was going on - They had the Official
 Spring Opening to-day with Mr. Watson
 present - last night they had the Spring
 Trophy Dinner at the Club. There didn't seem
 to be much doing at the Club so we didn't
 stop - drove on up around the Homestead
 to see George & Mrs. Olson but didn't see
 George's car so we drove on down town
 to do some shopping. Stopped over to Vaguer's
 in Union & had the slacks I picked out
 before. Stopped back over to Endicott & did
 some shopping - I got some film & paper at
 Jim Klein's - Jim has bought out the
 business from Stickley's - it is no longer
 Stickley's. Got back home about 6:00 -
 it was raining a little. I got my
 equipment set up to print pictures.

Barbara helped me some as she was interested in getting some pictures of Betty, Taber & herself. Mary had a late supper for us. I put in the whole evening printing pictures. Mary helped for about an hour. I printed over 100 pictures - about $2\frac{1}{2}$ films. I still have about another whole film to go to be caught up. I was so tired I went to bed about 11:45.

5/18/47 SUNDAY:

A rainy day - got up about 8:00 - hurried around & after bk. I went out & hosed off the car - didn't get it hosed as it started to rain. Mary took Mary Lou to Sunday School & stayed herself - she also took the Bibby girls down with her. I did some painting in the Lavatory while Mary was gone. She got home about 11:00 - didn't stay for church - I did some little painting jobs also dated the pictures I made last night - I actually printed 131 pictures. After dinner I went out & put some grass seed on the lawn - read the Sunday paper & then Babe & Mary Lou helped me some cleaning off the train platform - I decided we had it up long enough for this year.

Had a heavy shower about 3:30 - we gave up our plans to go down to attend the Open House at Triple Cities College - but it cleared off about 4:30 & the sun came out so we all got cleaned up & drove down to T.C.C. about 5:00 - got there just in time to have a look thru. Saw Ben Stephens before & after. Battle - one of the students showed us thru. They sure have improved the interior of these temporary quarters. It looks quite like a college. After leaving the college we drove down to the air-port just for a ride. On the way back we stopped at the sand-which stop in Union for a bite to eat. Got home about 7:00 - I did some more painting this evening also spent some time looking over some material for my talk to the San Jose Kiwanis Club. To-bed 11:15.

5/19/47 MONDAY:

Warm & rainy to-day - I'm glad it has turned really warm, for we let our furnace go out yesterday - we are just about out of coal

I would rather not get any more since we are changing to oil heat this fall.

Got up at 6:45 - Mary couldn't quite decide whether to keep Bate home from school another day - her chicken-pox are nearly cleared up but she has a few marks on her arms & body. We were afraid she would be sent home so we kept her home. Drove down to the Office at 8:50 - Took Mary Lou to school. ^{Had RAY sit in on the Customer School Opening for me at 9:00.} Called Bob Gordon this morning - I arranged to go to Syracuse with him on Wednesday on the matter of our ^{new} plan of paying instruction under the Age & Hon Law. Called Glenn Smith at Elmira & got a reservation for Mary & I next Saturday Night. - Saw Blackwell this morning & brought him up to date on a number of things. Blackie mentioned the matter of Bruce Buckler being available to give assistance - Dwayne had mentioned this - actually they are trying to find work to keep Bruce busy. I have planned to use Bruce to assist Mac on his Job Instruction Training - making job breakdowns. He is helping Van Gordon at the present time. I had a lot of letters to get

out this morning. Wrote Bill Long a
 registered letter - he hasn't answered
 the one he'd sent him & hasn't
 acknowledged the receipt of the film I
 sent him on April 8th. - Worked
 some with Bob Steidman on the material
 for my speech - Bob had the good
 news for me - that his brother would
 loan me his Leica for the trip - I
 was sure glad to learn that! Betty
 Hopkin Moyer called to give me her
 & Bob's ideas for candidates for officers
 of the Temple & Club at the church -
 John Wagner had asked me to be
 Chairman of the Nominating Committee
 so I had a lot of calls to make
 today on this matter - also stopped
 over & talked with Gwen Cullen
 about it. Mary called & said my
 auto coupon had been returned in
 the mail this morning so I decided
 to go home for lunch. - Stopped at
 the post office on the way home &
 mailed the registered letter to Bill
 Long. Had lunch with Mary & Babe.
 Called a half dozen places in Ring.

inquiring about an altimeter for the car but
 couldn't locate one. Returned to the office at
 1:30 - mailed a Bon-Voyage card to Mr. & Mrs. Kirk.
 They are to leave Saturday for Europe. Also
 sent a gift to Herbert Webb & a congratulation
 card on his graduation from Pingry School.
 Saw Mr. Almon this P.M. & had quite a
 chat with him on the plans for giving J.I.T.
 to the people who are here from Plant #2
 learning the operations on the machines to be
 moved to Poughkeepsie. Got Mr. Almon to agree to
 use some films in his program. Also
 spoke to Mr. Almon about having Buckler help him
 on the matter of drilling these people in making
 job breakdown. Mr. Almon doesn't like the idea of
 working with Bruce but I managed to get him
 to say he would call on Bruce for help.
 Stopped in to see Van & asked him about
 going to Syracuse with Bob on Wed. & also
 the possibility of going down to W.H.P. on Thurs.
 Van reminded me that he had nothing to
 say on these matters now that he had re-
 signed as Chairman of our Dept. I told Van
 that until it was announced that his
 resignation had been accepted he was still
 acting dean as far as I was concerned.

Called Ralph Walther & had him stop in
 for the picture I had of Mary on his
 way home. I left the office about 5:30
 & drove over & picked up Irene Stickey &
 took her up to the house to stay with
 the girls this evening. I cleaned up a bit
 & at 6:15 ^{Mary &} I drove over to the Arlington
 Hotel in Binghamton to the Annual Binghamton
 Camera Club Dinner. We met Ray &
 Mauram Javin there & sat with them. They
 had a good time out - it was a very
 warm rainy evening - almost too warm to be
 comfortable. The program was two colored
 16 m.m. films on life in Mexico taken by
 Mr. Ralph E. Gray two times winner of
 the International Amateur Film Contest. There
 were some very lovely color pictures but I
 was a bit disappointed in the technique used
 in many places. They really weren't as
 good as I had expected them to be. Mary
 & I rushed out at 10:00 & came directly
 home. I had Mary drive Irene down town
 while I got on some old clothes & painted the
 door for the medicine closet in the lavatory.
 Mary & I went to bed at 11:15.

5/20/47 TUESDAY:

Partly cloudy to-day & warm -
 got up at 7:00 - Bob went back to school
 to-day her Chicken - pox all over. Took Bob
 & Mary Lou to school on my way to the Office at
 8:00. Had a very busy day at the Office. Called
 Ken Grace this morning & asked him about the
 use of a Pola - screen for taking color pictures.
 He advised me, by all means, to get one. Ralph
 Bray had mentioned last night he used a pola-
 screen on many of his shots. I called Ken &
 ordered one right away. Mary called about 10:30
 & told me they had called her from the
 school & said Mary Lou had chicken - pox
 so I left & drove on to Moore school,
 got Mary Lou & took her home. She only had a
 few little spots & felt perfectly Ok - she was
 waiting for me in Mr. Wiley's Office. Left Mary
 Lou at home & drove on over to Binghamton -
 Ken tried to fix me up with a Pola -
 screen but didn't have the proper adapter - he
 is getting them for me this week. Drove home
 & had lunch with Mary & Mary Lou. Returned
 to the Office about 1:30. - Processed
 the slide film on the proof machine with
 Mary, Ray & Bob - we were very much

disappointed in it, but learned later from Bruce
 Buckler that there is a script we should have
 read with it. Had quite a chat with Bruce
 on the matter of using job breakdowns - he &
 Oton are both interested in having breakdowns
 made on all of the operation for the job to be
 moved to Plant #2. I explained to Bruce
 the rather sad experience we had had during
 the war on getting the men in the plant to
 make & use job breakdowns. Bruce just
 simply fails to see the practical side of these
 things. - I went over to see W. A. Almon &
 had W. A. go over to see Run Wright with me
 to get his idea on job breakdowns - we also
 stopped by to see Steve Gentry & discussed it
 with Steve. Run & Steve can't see making
 breakdowns on every operation - I'm right in
 the middle on this - Oton wants them & the
 plant manager don't. We've got a selling
 job to do one way or the other. Got back
 to the office about 5:00 & was pleased to find a
 letter from Dr. Hutchinson of Lafayette College
 saying they had accepted Herbert Webb
 for admittance to Lafayette this fall. I was a
 bit surprised to find they had accepted
 him largely on my recommendations since he

said Herbert's graduation was a bit against him but that they were very anxious to back me up. Boy, I sure felt grateful for the consideration they had given my interest in the matter. Drove home at 5:15 - after supper I did some work on the car - tried to mount the air hose on the car. At 7:00 I came in & called Ray to tell him the good news about Herb. Ray was very pleased - he said he was so happy he could kiss me, I told him I could call him Friday while in N.Y.C. Called with Herb & congratulated him - told him I had set a date since in June of 1951 to attend a graduation at Lafayette & I didn't expect him to let me down - Herb sure seemed pleased - he thanked me about three or four times for my help in getting him in Lafayette. - Keys, Robert & Edward De Venti came over - Keys & Robert moved down for a while - Keys also helped me some on the car. I went up to Sears & borrowed his electric drill. Had to re-mount the mounting bracket to make it work on the new car. A Mr. Sweet from Bing. stopped in & tried to interest me in buying an Englishman Britanna. The boys played some pin ball - I did some work at my desk & To-bed 11:15.

5/21/47 WEDNESDAY:

Rainy & hot to-day - got up at 7:00 - Mary drove me down to the office at 8:00 - took Babe to school. I had a very busy 1 1/2 hours at the office, before leaving for Syracuse. Saw Don a number of letters - wrote Dr. Hutchinson & also wrote Raymond about Herbert being accepted for admittance to Lafayette College. Arranged for Bob Sheridan to pick up the 3/4 HP motor I am getting from the company for Jack Maxham - also arranged for Almon to make a bracket for me to use on the car. Tom Coker called & said he & Betty would accept the assignment of Pres. of our Triple S Club if elected. Bob Landon stopped over & we left at 9:30 for Syracuse - Bob drove his new dodge - I looked over my mail on the way up & also reviewed my notes of the AAEE meeting I attended at West Point last week. Bob & I arrived in Syracuse at 11:30 - had lunch at the Hotel Syracuse Coffee Shop. I called Dr. Miller (Bill) & had a nice chat with him. Also called several places to see -

quire about a rear view mirror & altimeter
 for my car but couldn't find what I wanted.
 Bob & I had a few minutes to spare
 after we had lunch. Bob had made an
 appointment at 1:00 for an interview at
 the Wage & Hour Division of the Labor
 Office in the State Tower Bldg. We went
 in right on the dot - were interviewed by
 a Mr. Knapp - Bob brought up the matter of
 our payment of instruction fees & asked whether
 we were required under the law to pay for
 preparation time as well as time spent in the
 class room. Mr. Knapp sort of shifted his de-
 cision around for awhile but finally said it
 was compensable time but that it was really
 a fine point & that the average investigator
 would not even think of it. He advised us
 to continue as we were, not paying for preparation
 time. I was glad to hear that - because it
 is not a class but a matter as I had hoped
 it might be. Bob & I went on to explain
 how we pay a minimum of \$6.00 for a 1 1/2 hr.
 class session - Mr. Knapp then raised the
 question as to how we could do this for
 the non exempt employees. He said all
 overtime for non exempt employees had

to be on the basis of a definite rate - anything over this rate is considered under the law to be a bonus of overtime & that the law does not allow this. Bob & I were both surprised at this for it was altogether a new idea to us. That means we have been wrong all along in paying a \$6.00 minimum to our non-exempt instructor. If this is true we have to change our plan of paying these instructors. Bob had a couple of other questions to discuss with Mr. Krug. We left about 2:30 for Endicott - got into some rain on the way home - got back to the office about 4:30 - Told Bob Stinson & Ray what I had learned at Syracuse. Drove home at 5:30 - Mary stopped by for me - Dick Ludwig stopped over with the Lion - Code for Youth which I had him frame. I got a call from a Mrs. Sandolgi about the Opera to be given at the High School next week - she indicated she wanted to make an announcement to our Lion Club so I invited her to attend the meeting. I drove down to the hotel at 6:30 met her & arranged to have her in at the head table.

Phil Cellula had me present her to the group. Our program for the meeting ^{was} a talk by Mr. Martin of the N.Y. Telephone Co. who told us of some of the new things to be introduced, for instance the mobile telephone - with this you can talk to anyone while driving along in your car. Oh Yea. They had the nomination for the officer for next year - Ed Keedy read off the slate. He had called me & asked me to accept the nomination for 3rd Vice President which I did - They are trying something new this year - there is now than one nomination for an office so it will mean balloting - Walt Hamilton is running against me for 3rd Vice President. Met Mr. Martin after the meeting. Ralph Walker came over to see me & told me he had been made an assistant engineer - I congratulated him - That sure is nice for Ralph. Ralph & Della gave me a ride around the corner to my car as it was raining. Got home about 9:30 - Mary & the girls were going to bed. I got some of my camera stuff to - gether for the trip & loaded 7 35 m.m. film cartridges to take with me. Finally turned in at 12:30.

5/22/47 THURSDAY:

Hot & showery this morning, but cleared off well this afternoon. Got up at 7:00 - Mary drove me down to the office at 8:00 - we took Bats to school - Mary Lou is home with Chicken pox. Had a very busy morning - tried to get as much as possible finished up before leaving for N.J. Called Dave Sanford to give him some info. Finally got around to giving Don the rest of my report on the AAAE Meeting last week. Blackie stopped over & told me he was having some trouble getting my checks for June ahead of time. He suggested I let him deposit them for me & then I could draw from the checking account while on the trip - any IBM Office would cash my checks - I agreed to this. Mary spent most of the morning in Tony's Beauty Shop - she stopped by about 11:15 - I drove her home & then returned to the office. Gave Don some more work & finally got away from the office about 12:10 - hurried over town & got a hair cut & then went home for lunch. After lunch I got packed up to leave for N.J. & The

car looked so dirty & was all covered with spots of sap from the trees I had parked in under down town last night so many & I decided to wash it. I put on some old clothes & we really went to work on it - only took me about 15 min. Geo. Swanson stopped in - I had called Geo. - he looked over our shrubs & trees & gave me some ideas as to what trimming I should do. Geo. said we could really have a beautiful back yard. I finally got all packed up & left for N.Y. at 2:30. It turned out to be a beautiful bright sunny afternoon - I was so glad we washed the car. Had a little bad luck in Johnson City. They had been painting the white strip in the middle of the street on Reverse Drive & had the little Red Flags sitting along the middle of the road. A big truck came by & hit one of the flag standards & shot it across the road into my car. It sound like a cannon ball when it hit. I stopped & discovered it had just a nice dent in my left front fender - The first real dent I have gotten. Stopped at Quin in Binghamton & got his binoculars - boy they sure are a well ~~off~~ pair of glasses.

I enjoyed the drive coming down - stopped
 on the hill just outside of Scranton & tried
 Run's Binoculars. They sure bring things in
 to you. Stopped near Wash. ^{N.D.} at a Diner
 for a bite to eat & got down to Mother's
 about 6:30 - Eleanor was mowing the lawn
 with the power mower - I gave her a hand
 for a little while. Showed Mother & Eleanor
 the binoculars. Jack wasn't home - down
 town getting a hair cut. I drove on down
 to see Dad, Betty & Run. Kided
 Betty about having heard of her good
 news (expecting) from Mrs. Watson. Showed
 Run & Dad my porcelainize job on the
 car. Run still doubts whether his car
 was ever actually porcelainized. Had a
 nice chat with the folks. Went back
 up to Mother's to see Jack - he was
 pleased to get the $\frac{3}{4}$ H.P. report. Showed
 Mother, Jack & Eleanor the snap shot I
 had with me. Came back to Dad's
 about 9:30 & found the folks all gone
 so I stopped down to Sheridan Stand &
 got myself a sandwich. Showed Dad
 Run & Betty some slides I had brought
 with me also the snap shot. Run &

Betty went to bed about 11:00 - Dad & I stayed up until about 12:00 - I wrote ~~the~~ these notes with Dad's ball joint pen - it works very well after you get used to it. To bed 12:00.

5/23/47 FRIDAY:

A bright warm day - a beautiful day in N.Y.C. Dad got me up at 6:30 - had breakfast with Dad, Ann & Betty. Called Elmer Miller at Washington about Jack's dinner. Max stopped over from the other farm - I hadn't seen him in a long time. Finally got off for N.Y.C. about 7:45 - Ann left for Plainfield at the same time - I followed him down to Somerville - drove in to Journal Square & left the car & took the tube over to 33rd. St. Did some window shopping on my way up to W.H.Q. Got there about 10:00 - Drew Daly had been moved from the 9th. floor of W.H.Q. over to the 5th. floor of the new bldg. Called Miss John & made an appointment to see Dwayne - he was having a busy day as usual - also called Douglas' office & left word I wanted to see him. - Called Brother Ray & told him I wanted to stop over to his home & clean up.

a bit on my way out to Flemington - he called Horney & found she would be home & then called me back - I had hoped to have lunch with Ray but he was ^{too} busy & I couldn't get away at any certain time either. Spent some time with Drew looking over the material for the W.H.Q. bulletin & the cover design. Briggs had given some new ideas on cover design. - I called Joe Washichek & finally located him at his hotel room - he said I had called just in time - he was leaving that minute for Europe. He was in such a hurry I couldn't get any information from him. All he said was that he would see me in Long Beach & gave me his regards for Mary & the girls. He sure was brief & I couldn't quite get the set-up! Boy, Joe sure gets around! Eleanor John called & I got in to see Dwayne about 12:00 - he was in a rush to get to a luncheon meeting so I only had about 10 min. with him. Got his OK on several matters. Saw Ted Rowe & congratulated him on his new job as Advertising Manager. Drew & I had lunch at the cafeteria, we

saw with Keith Martin, Ruth Leach, Jane Hurlin & Jean Cotten. I hadn't seen Ruth since she had gotten back - she looked good - but is only in to the office a few hours each day. I saw Charlie Love - also Miss Miller in the cafeteria. Congratulated Miss on her new promotion to Sales Mgr. of the Electric Type-writing division. After lunch Drew & I went out & did some shopping - I got an alternator for the car - also got some toy autos for Mary Lou's collection. Called Douglas's office when we got back & went right up to see him - Drew & I had to wait awhile. We saw a lot of people while we were waiting - everyone seemed to be in a holiday mood in anticipation of Kirk & Tom Watson Jr's departure for Europe to-morrow. We had a nice chat with Ed Douglas & got his support on the use of the house on 56th St. for our Gen. Ed. Program at W.H.O. Kirk stopped in & I wished him Bon Voyage - he was showing us his new hunting hat. Drew & I also stopped in to see Briggs for a few minutes - I pretended I was doing some lecturing for Drew - he is running

for Pres. of The IBM Club. I left 590
 about 3:40 & did some window shopping on
 my way down town - The time went by
 faster than I thought it was nearly 5:00
 when I got the subway for journal square.
 It sure was a beautiful afternoon - but I
 got in the traffic rack on the sky way out
 to Ray's & lost a lot of time. Got to Ray's
 about 6:00 - he had just gotten home from work.
 Ray & Honey helped me get cleaned up -
 Ray let me use his electric razor & I did
 a really quick job of shaving. Ray had to show
 me his garden - he has peas up & in
 blossom already - he sure gets his garden in
 early. I left Ray's about 6:15 & hurried over
 to Flemington - had to stop in Plainfield for
 gas - I had filled the tank before leaving Endicott
 & I had it filled up again to the same point -
 I had gone 257 miles & it took 16 gal. That
 is 16+ miles per gal. which I felt was pretty
 good. Got to Flemington at 7:05 just a few
 minutes late but I was there just before Jake
 arrived on the scene. The testimonial dinner
 for Jake Bebbard was held at the new
 Baptist Church in Flemington - There were about
 125 present - I saw a lot of my old friends.

Helen & Bud Kiefer, Willard Young & his wife, Jerry
 Studer & his wife, Mrs. Heilman & others. I sat
 with Bill Young & his wife - I had never met
 her before. Also met Ed Lange who sat next
 to me. It was a typical church dinner - Turkey
 dinner country style. Jake came around to
 the table & I had a nice chat. Elmer Miller
 was master of ceremony - there were 4 or 5 different
 speakers. Johnnie Studer spoke for the Hi-Y boys
 & told some good stories on Jake. Then the
 surprise of the evening Elmer Miller called on
 Johnnie Studer, Frank Wiler, Bill Young & me to
 sing as a quartet. We sang one song - Bud
 Kiefer played the piano & we sang "Home on the
 Range". It was pretty terrible. They presented
 Jake with a book of letters from his friends.
 Jake responded in his very masterful style.
 Jake really gives a good talk. I saw Mrs.
 Heilman for a few minutes after the meeting.
 Also talked with Jake before leaving & told him
 how much I enjoyed the affair. - Jake sure
 looks bad - he just as thin as a rail &
 is so dark he looks like a colored man.
 I drove back to Motion & stayed in there
 about 10:00 - called Dad & learned Betty
 & Ram were out for awhile so I stayed

& talked with Mother, Eleanor & Jack. Drove on down to Dads about 10:30 - stopped at 'Walt's' in Lebanon for a qt. of ice cream - saw Harry Crampton, his girl friend & his sister also Clark Henry. Betty & Russ weren't home when I got down to Dads but they came in a little later & they had a qt. of ice cream so we had plenty. I got a kick out of Pettie Hank the cat eating ice cream & drinking out of the fish bowl. Dad sure likes that cat. We all went to bed about 11:45.

5/24/47 SATURDAY:

Dad called me about 6:30 - hurried around, packed, had bk. with Betty, Russ & Dad, put my things in the car & left at 7:30. They all wished me a ~~th~~ pleasant trip to California. Mother was already waiting when I got up to her place - Had her suit cases all packed for California - three of them. Jack & Eleanor saw me off & wished us the best for our trip. Mother & I were on our way to Endicott by 7:45. It was a beautiful bright day but very warm. Stopped in Clark-Summit for an ice cream cone - made very good time - got in home at Endicott at 11:15. Mary was surprised to see us so early. Poor

little Mary Lou had really broken out with the chicken pox while I was gone - her face was just covered - even much worse than Barbara. I repacked my bag for Elmer & cleaned up the car a little. Eddie DeKenti was here & he helped me wash the bugs off the front of the car. Had a swell dinner - Mary had roasted a shinner & lamp. Put on another suit & about 1:30 Mary & I left for Elmer - boy it sure had gotten hot. Checked in at the Mark Twain Hotel about 2:45. Saw a lot of our good Jr. Charles friends. After we had gotten in our room & settled I went down to the general meeting in the Ball Room. Boy - it sure was hot in there - all of the fellows had their coats off. Paul Lohr presided & it was a very good meeting - Carl Belknap of Cincinnati Ohio was there & spoke to us on the U.S. J.C.C. Carl gave a very good talk. I left before the meeting was over & went back to the room - laid down & took a short nap. Mary came back about 5:15 & then we had to hurry around to get cleaned up for the cocktail party & banquet. Mary got her lip stuck on her lovely blue evening gown, that made us both mad. The cocktail party at 5:30 was the typical Jagger brawl or war

nearly so - They had tickets stubs for each cock-
 tail so everyone could get at least 3 & that
 was plenty. The gang sure got noisy. We
 got tied in with a gang from Lockport at a
 table for the banquet - boy what a bawdy
 affair that turned out to be. I really felt
 sorry for the waiters - everyone was sure having
 a swell time. I had talked with Paul Taler
 & learned that Joe Washick had contacted him to
 let him know that he couldn't be there - but
 didn't tell Paul why either - I told Paul that
 I had called him while in N.Y.C. on Fri. Paul
 believed Joe is still sore about missing the gang
 at this. Paul also advised me that Joe
 Atama wouldn't be with us - he is sore
 about something - poor Paul he sure has
 his troubles - I can really sympathize with
 him after last year. Boy - this meeting sure
 seemed different for me - last year I had
 all the hard work & this year I could just
 sit by & really enjoy it. Paul had gotten
 Al Gill of Syracuse to substitute for Joe
 Washick as toastmaster. Al did a swell
 job - he had Carl Belcher install Ed.
 Watson as the new state President & then
 Ed presented his executive committee. Al

presented Paul with the Paul Tabor Trophy to
 be given each year in Memory of Paul to the
 outstanding State Committee Chairman - Paul presented
 it to John Glendon of Rochester - Chairman of
 the Aviation Committee. The speaker for the
 evening was John Ben Sheppard of Texas -
 U. S. Jr. C. C. Vice President & I believe our
 next National Jaycee President. Al in-
 troduced John Ben as being better than a
 \$2 pistol & boy he sure lived up to his
 reputation - he gave one of the finest & most
 dynamic talks on Jr. Chamber work that I
 have ever heard. He sure quieted down the
 gang - who had been quite noisy up to that
 point. I congratulated him after his talk &
 told him I would be looking forward to hear-
 ing him again at Long Beach. It was so
 hot in the Hotel - Mary & I walked around
 the block with Russ & Marilyn Fay. It was
 hot & noisy outside. Mary & I saw Bill &
 Janet Wapion of Rochester & learned they
 are driving over to Calif. leaving the same
 time we are - next Mon. It was too warm
 to dance - Mary & I had a couple of drink-
 s - more chatting with old friends & new.
 Vince Rehler was there from Ph. with

Three other fellows - I met Roy Kensley the new Pres. of P.K. J.C. & C. About 12:15 we went up to Paul Taber's room with a whole gang - Paul & Vina had a suit of room - nothing like Mary & I had at Rock. last year however. The boys & girls had a few drinks - it got too noisy so about 1:15 a group of us - Ed & LaVande Watson, Paul & Vina, John Kendall & his wife, Mary & I walked down the street to the dinner for a mid-night meal - The Hotel Coffee Shop had closed. Mary & I sat with John & his wife - they had flown down from Rock. John has his own plane. We got back to Paul's Room about 2:15 & the place was packed & noisier than ever - singing songs so Mary & I sneaked away & hurried around the corner to our room - got in without anyone seeing us - we were afraid there would be a lot of pounding on doors. We could hear the noise from our room - but they quieted down after about a half hour. It sure had been a big day. To-bed 2:30.

5/25/47 SUNDAY:

A very rainy day in Elmira - got up about 9:15 - to find it raining. I was

very much disappointed as I had looked forward to
 seeing the gliding exhibit this afternoon. May & I
 went down to the Coffee Shop about 10:00 & had
 some breakfast - we decided we couldn't wait
 for the Brunch which was advertised for 12:30 at
 the Glider Field - "Harris Hill". Talked with some
 of the folks after breakfast & came near leaving
 for home - I called the airport & they told me
 the rain was expected to continue but that
 they would take up some gliders for the Jaycees
 so we decided to stay. Sat in the hotel
 lobby & read the Sunday Paper. About 12:00
 Curt Buffum drove me over a couple of blocks
 in his car so I could get mine, I had left
 my rain coat in the car. May & I drove on
 over to Harris Hill - the famous glider field.
 The view is a nice location - we were early -
 only a few there - looked the place over & had
 to wait around for the gang to arrive. Even
 though it rained some a good size group showed
 up - however the Brunch wasn't much - just
 orange juice - coffee & donuts. Oh yes - Pretzels &
 Peanuts - we all got a kick out of that. The
 weather opened up a bit - at least it stopped
 raining & the fellows put on a very interesting
 exhibition of sail plane & glider acrobatics.

It was the first I had ever seen anything like
 it. I took a few color pictures even though the
 weather wasn't ideal. Had Rex's binoculars with me
 & made good use of them. Mary & I left for
 Endicott about 3:30 - it rained a little on
 the way home. We stopped in O'Brien's near
 Wadley for a bite to eat - it's a lovely
 place - I didn't realize it was so nice - it
 is recommended in Duran Miner "Adventures in
 Good Eating." As we left Tom Noble, his wife
 & group from N.Y.C. were stopping to eat.
 Mary & I got home about 5:15. Mother & the
 girls were fine. Babe went with us & we stopped
 down to see Mr. & Mrs. DeVenti - the whole
 family were out working on the lawn. We
 arranged to move the girls down there next
 Wed. night. We left Babe there & drove on
 over to see Maxell & Jimmie Johnston - Jimmie
 has been laid up for some time with venereal vein,
 had an operation - however he is out around again.
 We caught them at a bad time - Jimmie was
 in the bath tub & Maxell was not feeling well.
 We only stayed a few minutes - Jimmie told
 us a little of their trip to Europe. Came
 home about 6:30 - Mary got some supper
 for us. - I installed the air hose on the

car - didn't get them wired up however. Spent some time this evening working on my talk for San Jose & also writing up these notes. Mother & Mary went on to bed about 10:30. I retired about 11:45.

5/26/47 MONDAY:

Clear & cooler to-day - a beautiful day. Got up at 7:00 - drove Barbara to school on my way to the plane - drove on over to West Endison & took a couple suits over to be cleaned & pressed. Then took the truck to the garage to be lubricated & a motor tune up to be ready for the trip. Got to the office about 8:15. Called Dave Sanford at Poughkeepsie this morning. Perry Starbuck had a session with Ben Bodel, Ray & me this morning on the matter of reporting statistics on Gen. Education - Ben is getting all lined up on a new reporting system on all Dept. of Edu. activity. Perry suggested we establish a definite time for each term & by so doing have all Gen. Edu. classes starting & completing about the same time. We had a really good session - it lasted until 1:00 - I got the car from the garage & hurried - had some lunch - Mother, Mary & Mary Lou had eaten. I was disappointed to

find I did had not gotten the maps from
 Crown Co. on the trip. We did get a letter
 from Jack & Dorothy - they are looking forward to
 seeing us in Aberdeen. Took the car back to
 the garage - Eddie still had to lubricate it.
 This afternoon Perry called me to his office
 to see Alex Gilpin from T.C.C. He had
 come in to see Perry about an idea he has
 for a course on African Appreciation. I had him
 also talk with Ray Jarvis & asked him to
 prepare an outline or synopsis of the course &
 send it to me. Bob Shendan brought in
 his brother's Lancia for me to-day. I took it
 over & had Charlie Cheney look it over. I
 was surprised to find that it has mold
 in it. Bob explained that his brother had
 used it in the tropics in India. Stopped
 over to see Mac on the job training program
 for the people who are up here from Ok.
 Got my car from the garage about 5:30
 & drove home. After supper I did some
 work on my car - Edward, Robert & Legs
 De Venti stopped over. About 7:00 they &
 Barbara rode down to John Smith's with
 me to get the jeep - it was up on
 the frame so I drove us up to the

farm. We came back home in the Jeep -
 it sure was some contrast to the Buick. The
 kids sure got a real kick out of it. I took some
 pictures with ~~D~~ Bob's Leica - the first ones.
 Keys & Robert helped me take the Pin Ball
 Machine apart & we took it over to De Venti's on
 the Jeep - the kids sure had some fun.
 They all went with me to return the Jeep to
 the farm. Came back to De Venti's & helped
 set the Pin Ball Game up. I don't think
 Mr or Mrs. De Venti like it too much but
 the boys just insisted they have it. I quit
 in a busy evening working on my talk for
 San Jose - Mary & Morton did a lot of
 chatting over plans for the trip. To-bed 11:30.

5/27/47 TUESDAY:

Clear this morning but clouded up this
 afternoon & looked rainy this evening. Got up
 at 7:00 - Mary drove me down to the office
 about 8:10 - took Babe to school. I had Don
 do some typing on my report or rather speech
 for San Jose. Had a very busy day trying
 to get as much as possible cleaned up before
 leaving for California. Mac, Ray, Bob & I pre-
 viewed the slide film on the Proof Machine

with Bruce Buckler. - Mary & I tried to see some of the managers on the job training of the people who are here from Pk. but they were tied up with Mr. Elman. Received some of the material for the W.H.Q. Gen. Edu. Bulletin from Drew Dalley - went over it with Ray. Had lunch at the cafeteria at 11:30 with Lou Welby & Joe Horie. About 12:00 I walked down town with Ray Jarvis & Nell Crobley. They were on their way to the Quinami meeting. I saw our car on the street so I knew Mary was down town - I found her in the Bank getting some Traveler's checks to take on the trip.

\$500.00 in Traveler's Checks & \$300.00 in cash. We drove over to Union & I got my slacks at Vaughan's also 3 sport shirts. Mary dropped me at Ben Starnes' clergy place - I got a mirror for the Buick & also a horn button for the car door. Got back to the office about 1:30. Spent some time this P.M. on my speech for San Jose. Called Mrs. Barton at the AAA office & learned she had my maps all ready for me on the Calif. trip, so I borrowed Gay's Plymouth & drove down & got them about 3:30. She had done a very good job for me. Bruce Buckler stopped

in the office & we had quite a chat on the matter of using job breakdown. I explained to Bruce that we just couldn't use them universally in the plant. I told him of our experience during the war. Mary stopped by for me about 5:15 she had Myother & the girls with her. After supper I drove down to De Ventis & took the big Binoculars down that I had borrowed from Ken Tuttle. I compared them to the ones De Ventis had - these are a small compact job & so much lighter. Connie had said I could take them on the trip so I decided I would take them instead of the big ones. Keys came back with me & helped me some in mounting the horn button & getting the air horn wired up - had to borrow the electric drill from Snover. Myother, Mary & I did some planning on trip to night - looked over our maps - I picked out 6 movie films to take with me - Johnnie had written & asked that we bring some. I did a little more work on my speech. Boy - we sure are getting all prepped up over the trip. I can hardly wait to be on our way. Max Almon called this evening & told me he was going to Pt. early in the morning with Jerry Johnston. I made out my list of ^{camera} equipment to take on the trip so I can get it all insured. To bed 11:30.

5/28/47 WEDNESDAY:

A beautiful bright warm day. Got up at 7:00 - Mary drove me down to the office at 8:00, took Babe to school. I had a very busy day getting everything caught up before I leave for California tomorrow. Went over to see Red Wakefield, Alan Fadden & Ray De Vegen about the job training of the people who are up here from Poughkeepsie. Red suggested giving them all IBM Products & some of them Mechanical & Electrical Principles. I spent some time this morning on my speech for San Jose. Saw Don a number of letters. Called Bob Hampin & arranged for the insurance on the camera equipment I am taking with me. Bob assumed ^{me} it ~~was~~ would all be covered if I would make out a list & send it down to him. At 11:30 I went to the cafeteria with Ray Jarvis for lunch. Everyone was asking me about the trip. Mary & we had a busy day getting all the loose ends brought to-getter before leaving on the trip. I called Russ & he couldn't get me the job-screen for my camera so I walked down town about 3:30 & got a polarizer lens from Jim Gavin. Stopped to

run into Mary & Barbara down town. Mary
 was getting Bob a pair of shoes. I saw Perry
 Starbuck this afternoon - Perry gave me some
 more suggestions for the trip - I have ^{almost} a note
 book full now. Stopped over to see Walt Hamer
 about the possibility of giving Linn Seely additional
 time for his vacation if he wants it. I
 explained Linn had indicated one time he
 wanted to take an extended trip & that we
 could certainly spare him from the work in our
 dept. Walt agreed we should give him extra time
 if he ~~de~~ needed it or wanted it but not to
 necessarily promote the idea with him. I talked
 to Linn & learned he actually didn't want
 more than the 3 weeks. Had a terrifically busy
 afternoon trying to everything finished - talked
 with all the people in the office - called Alvin
 Andrews, Jack O'Connor & Carl Snyder over &
 told them about the trip & when I would be
 back. Mary stopped by for me at 5:15 - we
 stopped around to see John Smith about getting
 the truck for this evening. I was disappointed
 I didn't get the book of maps from Conoco
 to-day which we had been expecting, how-
 ever with the A.A.A. I believe we have all
 the maps we need. After supper Barbara

& Eddie DeVenti rode over to Smith's farm
 with me to get their Dodge truck. I borrowed
 John's truck to take the girls beds over to
 DeVenti - Keys helped me load them -
 I took a couple of pictures - when we got
 all the stuff on the truck it sure looked like
 moving day. Mr. DeVenti helped us set
 them up. Mary put the girls to bed in
 their new quarters at DeVenti's to-night.
 I took the truck back & then as soon as I
 got back Keys helped me wash it & polish
 the chrome - at least I will start out with
 a clean car. Mary & I drove over to DeVenti's
 about 9:00 - Kate & Mary Lou were all in
 bed - we said our good-byes as we don't
 plan to see them there in the morning.
 Mrs. DeVenti admitted he wished he had
 as good a set up to leave his children when
 he was in Europe - & Mrs. DeVenti said
 she wouldn't keep children for anyone but us.
 It sure is well of them to do this. Mary
 left \$100.00 with Mrs. DeVenti to cover
 expenses for the girls - food etc. I told
 Mr. & Mrs. DeVenti that if they wanted to
 go to Europe some time we would reimburse
 by taking their boys. I had a very busy

evening getting my camera equipment all together & my lens cleaned also the bags packed to leave for California in the morning. Mary, Mother & I were all excited about the prospect of the start of the trip to-morrow. Mary made some coffee for us about 10:30. Finally got to-bed about 12:00.

5/29/47 THURSDAY:

Got up at 6:30 & hurried around to be off for California at 8:30 - it was very foggy early but cleared off at about 8:00. Ray Jarvis stopped over at 8:00 & got some more of me packing the car & of us leaving. Mrs. De Venti called while we were having bk. about 7:30. Mary talked with Bala & also Mary Lou - she said she thought she noted a tear in Barbara's voice. Mrs. De Venti said she had everything under control - boy she sure has a gang with the 4 boys & our 2 girls. We were all set & off on schedule at 8:30 but as usual Mary couldn't decide whether she had turned off the stove & I just wouldn't leave with that question on her mind so we went back - Ray climbed in the garage window to get the

home they where we had left it for Ken.
 Also as usual the stove was turned off. We
 stopped at John Smith's & got the tank filled
 with gas & was on our way from Endicott
 by 9:00. John said he wished he were going
 with us - he has been planning to go to
 California for over a year. It was a beautiful
 bright morning to start our trip - but very
 warm. Of all things - we got off the road
 in Elmira - took a wrong turn & drove
 north to Horseheads. I drove to Elmira &
 Mary drove from there to Williamsport.
 Mary & I both had fixed some sand -
 water & we ate them on the road -
 stopped at Lock Haven for some ice cream.
 It had really gotten terribly warm - it
 turned out to be a very showery afternoon. I
 drove from Lock Haven & for most of
 the afternoon - we drove thru several
 hard showers - it rained so hard we
 couldn't see the road. We hit a detour
 off route #22 to Baccusburg so we de-
 cided not to go thru Pottsville as the AAA
 had routed us. We did follow on AAA
 maps most of the way. Mary & I
 got some meat & made sandwiches on

Of the rest of the loaf of bread they had brought
 from home so we didn't stop for dinner. Drove
 on thru to Washington Pa. & then started looking
 for a place to stay - just outside of Wash. we
 located the Castle Cabins ^{6:30} & after looking over the
 set-up decided to stay even though we thought
 \$7.00 for a double cabin was plenty. It was the
 ideal set-up - two rooms with a bath between.
 Took some pictures of the place - after we got
 settled we drove back into town & did a little
 shopping & had a bite to eat to top off our
 dinner. ~~##~~ Got some cards & Mary got a ball
 point pen to write them with. Got back to
 the cabin at 8:00 - it had gotten much
 colder & the heat sure felt good. Wrote some
 cards - I wrote Kees a note - wrote the notes,
 looked over the maps - had the little radio
 plugged in & the place seemed quite hominy.
 Turned in at 9:00 to be ready for an
 early start to-morrow.

5/30/47 FRIDAY:

Bright & cool to-day - a beautiful
 day for driving. I got up at 5:30 - shaved
 & packed - Mary & Mother were up &
 dressed ready to leave at 6:10 so

we got a good early start. I took a
 picture of Castle Caber with all the cars
 lined up. One party had left earlier
 than us. I accidentally stepped on the
 air horn button as I was backing the
 car out - of all things to do at that
 hour. I'll bet I awoke some of the
 tourists who really was a beautiful morning -
 we kept on ^{U.S.} Route 40 all day. It
 was very foggy down thru the valley
 thru Wheeling W. Va. - I took a picture of
 the fog looking back down on it after
 we had climbed up again out of the
 valley. At Zanesville Mary & Mother had
 to stop to look at some of the pottery.
 We drove 110 miles before breakfast
 this morning - ate in a little town called
 Hebron. Mary helped me some with the
 driving - however I did most of the driving.
 Drove thru Columbus & Springfield Ohio. It
 was nice and cool - a perfect day for
 driving. We picked up an hour when
 we hit the Central Time Belt & then
 some of the places thru Indiana &
 Illinois are not on daylight saving
 which put us two hours ahead.

We followed the radio reports on the Auto
 Race at Indianapolis - the big 500 mile
 clinic. It was quite thrilling - we hit
 Indianapolis about 2:30 after the race was
 well under way. Picked up a special
 edition of The Indianapolis News telling all
 about the race & the accident in which
 one of the racers was killed. The paper
 also had a story on the terrible airplane
 accident at La Guardia Field last night.
 A D.C. 4 crashed in taking off & killed
 39 & badly injured 9. We stopped in
 Indianapolis for lunch - tried the Seville
 Restaurant - listed in Dr. Dumas Hines' "Adventure
 in Good Eating". It was a very nice place.
 I got a couple pictures of the Soldier's &
 Sailor's Monument in the center of town. It
 was thrilling to listen to the finish of the
 races on the radio as we left Indianap-
 olis. We gave up the idea of making
 St. Louis when we stopped outside of
 Indianapolis & learned it was 249 mi.
 from there to St. Louis. The highways
 across Ohio & Indiana were really good
 & we made good time - drove 60, 65
 & even 70 some of the time. No need

limit in Indiana & in Illinois. I
 had set 500 mi. as our goal for
 to-day & when we had hit it
 we started looking for a place to
 stay - it was about 8:00 o'clock our
 time when we located a Tourist Home
 in Vandalia Ill., however it was
 only 6:00 Vandalia Time. An older
 couple stopped just after we stopped -
 they were on their way to Calif. too.
 After we got located - took a couple of
 pictures & then drove down town for
 dinner at a nice air cooled restaurant.
 Didn't need the air cooling however as it
 really wasn't warm to-day. Got back
 to the Home at 9:15 on Eastern Time -
 it set our clock back an hour to be
 on Central Time. Wrote some cards -
 looked over the maps & wrote these notes.
 To-bed 9:30 Central Time. I think
 I like the Tourist Home better than the
 Cabin. Nice & cool again to-night -
 in fact this has been one of the coldest
 Decoration Days on record throughout
 the country.

5/31/47 SATURDAY:

Another bright cool day - what beautiful weather for driving. Got up at 5:30 - The other couple at the tourist home beat me by about 10 min. They left before us. We were on our way by 6:10 Central Daylight Time. Took a picture of the place before we left Vandalia. Had about 50 mi. to drive into St. Louis. Got off the route a couple of times & lost a little time getting thru St. Louis. We were sorry we didn't take the Route 40 by-pass around the city, however I doubt whether we could have saved much time. - Heard on the car radio about another airplane crash in Maryland last night - another D.C.4 with 53 on board & all 53 killed - the worse plane crash on record & just after the terrible crash of the D.C.4 at La Guardia Thu. night killing 40. This brings to 169 know dead in plane crashes over the World in the last two days. The other crashes were in Japan, Iceland & the Netherlands. We stopped for bk. at a road side restaurant in the Ozarks west of St. Louis. Mother & Mary really enjoyed their trip thru the Ozarks of Missouri - we stopped twice at roadside

souvenir stands - also jewelry & book bags.
 Got some souvenir & sent them back
 to the kids - stopped & mailed them at
 the little town of Stanton Mo. - We
 stopped at the town of Lebanon Mo.
 took some pictures & Mary & Mother did
 some more shopping for souvenir. Mary
 helped me some with the driving. We
 drove on to Springfield Mo. for lunch
 at 2:45 - our time - but 12:45 Spring-
 field time. We are leaving the clock
 in the car on E.S.T. so we know what
 time it is back home. Had lunch at
 Davidson's Cafeteria - recommended by Duncan
 Hines - it was very good - especially the
 pecan-pie. Mother was much interested
 in looking up Al Hayter - a friend of Jack
 Maxson's who was up to call on her & Eleanor
 last year & who lives in Walnut Grove
 Mo. We telephoned but got no answer. We
 were told it was 18 mi. out to Walnut
 Grove so we gave up the idea of driving out.
 Mary & Mother were on watch for the cow boys
 & bull bitten all day. Oh Yr. - we hit
 Route 66 in St. Louis so we had our
 hitch on Route 66 to-day. I was a

but disappointed in the Highway at first as I
 had expected it to be a 3 or 4 lane highway but
 it is only 2 lane most of the way - however that
 is really good considering the road was only a
 gravel highway when Mother & Mary made their
 trip to Yellowstone 13 years ago. We made a
 couple of stops this afternoon for refreshments.
 It got much warmer & towards night it
 got very dark & rainy - I don't wonder - I
 just heard on the radio here in the room
 that they had a hurricane at Woodward Oklahoma
 this afternoon & that is only about 150 miles
 from here. We had hoped to see Tulsa
 this afternoon but it got so dark & started
 raining some that we decided to turn in at
 Claremore - This is the home town of Will
 Rogers - as soon as we got in town we drove
 up on the hill to see the Will Rogers Memorial.
 It was getting dark & raining some so we
 couldn't see much. Checked in here at the
 Kurl's Tour about 8:30 on time - I stopped
 back down town & got the car greased & oil
 changed at a Conoco Service Station. Mother &
 Mary did some shopping - we stopped in
 the Hotel Mason Lobby & took a look at
 the Large Individual Gun Collection, the

Davis' Gun collection, over 8000 guns. We
 returned to our cabins & went right next door
 to a little restaurant for dinner - had a
 well chosen dinner for only 65¢ - The
 old lady that ran the place came in &
 joined us to chat with us. Returned to
 the cabin - Wotton, May & I are staying
 in one big room with two double beds -
 it is such a nice clean, new place we
 decided to take it even though we would
 rather have had two separate rooms. We paid
 \$6.00 for the three of us - it is a well
 placed much better than the first cabin we
 had. Wotton, May & I all had a real
 card writing spell this evening - didn't
 get finished up until about 11:30. All took
 showers & turned in about 11:45.

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6/1/47 SUNDAY:

We were awoken about 2:30 this A.M. by a very heavy thunder storm. The rain was coming down in sheets & the wind was blowing a gale. Our first thought was the fear of a hurricane or tornado. We had heard on the radio before retiring a report of a tornado at Woodward in the Northern part of Oklahoma. Boy, I sure was concerned about the car for it stood outside & I was afraid of some hail. It rained most all the night. Got up an hour later this morning as it was raining hard at 5:30 when the alarm went off. Got up at 6:30 C.D.T. however that was actually 5:30 Clarence time. Very windy & stormy yet this morning. Got under way about 7:15 - heard on the car radio that the tornado last night had killed 6 persons at the little town of Leedey in northern Oklahoma. We enjoyed the cowboy songs & revival service on the radio. Stopped at a very nice cafe (J. & J. Eat Shop) in Bristow for Bk. It cleared off by noon & really warmed up. Hit some of the prairie country to-day - we were impressed with all the oil wells right in the city limits of Oklahoma City.

Took a movie of an Oklahoma City sign.
 Got gas in Clinton Okla. & tried to eat
 at Harry's Cafe - a place recommended by
 Duncan Hines but it was packed - so
 we drove on then to Elmer City - got there
 at 2:45 - 12:45 C.S.T. - had lunch there
 in a nice air cooled grill. Had to stop
 near Shamrock Texas for a gas main
 break. They were stopping all cars until
 they got the main shut off. We were
 held up about 20 min. I took a movie
 of Mary driving by on Route 66 - it
 cleared up & was a beautiful afternoon.
 Somehow we didn't make too good time
 to-day - we got into Amarillo Texas
 about 7:00 or only 5:00 Amarillo time - it
 was a bit early to turn in but we
 didn't want to get shut out & there
 are no good size towns for some distance
 West of Amarillo so we checked in at
 the Alamo Court - a very nice place - had
 to take a big double room again with two
 double beds. Mother didn't mind so we
 all bunked to-gether again. Had a
 really nice room & bath. I took some
 pictures of the place - cleaned up a bit

& then we went down the street for a few
 blocks for dinner. A place that specialized on
 'chicken on the wing'. I got a kick out of
 Mary & Mother they talked all day about being on
 a diet but they couldn't resist the chicken
 gizzards on the menu. We all had 6 fried
 chicken gizzards, french fried potatoes & all the
 trimmings - a really big meal. There is some-
 thing about this riding all day that really
 makes you hungry. Came back to the cabin,
 put on some old clothes & drove down the
 street a ways to a little road station &
 helped the boy wash the car. I had
 borrowed a bucket from the man at the Cant
 to wash the car myself - but I am real
 glad I had the job done at the station.
 They had a real set-up there & we did a
 good job. Mary had gone to bed when I
 got back to the cabin - I took a bath,
 wrote these notes, looked over my speech for
 San Jose & retired at 10:30 E.D.S.T. That
 is 8:30 Amarillo time. It is very
 warm here this evening - Mary & Mother
 wrote a lot of cards as usual. Mary is
 already snoring & Mother is taking a bath
 so I am turning in for an early start
 to-morrow. Covered M. to-day.

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MONDAY:

A beautiful day for driving - got up at 6:00 or 5:00 Amarillo time - really over slept an hour, for I had planned to leave at 4:30. Again I hit the air horn button on the floor of the car in backing it out - gee I felt foolish making all that noise. Lucky for me no one in the neighboring cabins complained about it. - Was on our way by 6:45. Checked the mileage & found it was over 600 miles to Grand Canyon - we were sorry we didn't drive further last night; especially after we found plenty of motor courts along the road out of town - we only drove 434 miles yesterday.

Hit some beautiful level farming country on the plains of Texas. Crossed the Texas & New Mexico State line soon after we left Amarillo. We were surprised how different the country side was in New Mexico - more barren prairie & rolling hills. We were also quite surprised at the altitude - went up to over 7000 feet crossing the plains of N.M. Stopped for bk. at the little town of Tucumanacari N.M. - Mary & Mother really started their diets to-day - only a cup of coffee for bk. Took some pictures along the way of the straight highway. We

sand covered the ground - could drive 60, 70
 & even 75 some of the time. As we left
 Texas we crossed ^{from} the Central time to the
 Mountain time zone & gained another hour.
 That put us 3 hrs. ahead - what with them
 not being on Daylight Saving here in N.M. It got
 too confusing having so many different times so
 we finally set the car clock back 3 hrs. to
 be on the local time. Used the radio in the
 car quite a bit - it seemed funny hearing
 some of the N.Y. City Program coming on 3 hrs.
 early - for instance Kate Smith at high noon
 in N.Y.C. came on at 9:00. Got into Alber-
 querque about 11:30 - it had warmed up
 & was really summer weather - we stopped
 just out of town & took some pictures at a
 place where they had a mounted bronco.
 Mary took a picture of me on the Bronco.
 Did some shopping & had lunch in
 Albuquerque. Left about 1:15 for Gallup N.M.
 Very warm during across the plane this
 afternoon - but not as warm as I had ex-
 pected it would be. A lot of the cars carried
 a water bag to have cold water with them
 but I couldn't see that was necessary, for
 there were places to stop every few miles.

Stopped & got some pictures of the Indians
 selling pottery along the highway. After the Con-
 tinental Divide about the middle of the after-
 noon - stopped & took some pictures. Drove
 thru the Navaho Indian Reservation this after-
 noon - saw a lot of Indians - found Gallup
 to be a real Indian town but we didn't stop -
 hurried right on thru so we could reach the
 Painted Desert & the Petrified Forest yet to-
 day. It was almost too far - the sun had
 clouded over so when we finally reached the
 Painted Desert about 6:20 it wasn't much
 to look at - couldn't get any color pictures.
 I took some black & white shots - it was really
 quite disappointing - I told Mother it didn't look
 much better than the Ylward Meadows & she
 sure got a kick out of that. We drove around
 the rim of the Desert & had a good look,
 it was too bad there wasn't any sun light.
 Drove around to the Petrified Forest but
 found the place closed after 5:00 so we couldn't
 get in to see it - bought some pieces of
 petrified wood. I understand the forest itself
 really isn't much so I didn't feel too badly
 about it. Drove on thru to Winslow ~~Ariz.~~ Ariz.
 It was nice driving at dusk for a change &

much cooler - we drove on after dark before reaching Winslow about 9:00 - it was the first we had driving with lights. Had to look around some for a place to stay - got two nice rooms at La Siesta Court - a very nice place - as soon as we checked in we drove down town & had supper at 9:15 at a little cafe. Got back to the court about 10:00. Mary & I spent a lot of time writing cards & I wrote these notes. Jim in a lovely room & a swell shower - took a shower & turned in about 11:30. (Drove 590 Mi. to-day a record for the trip)

6/3/47 TUESDAY:

Got up at 5:00 - it looked quite cloudy early this morning - got under way about 5:45. Nice & cool this morning. It cleared off on the way into Flagstaff & was a beautiful drive - Took a few pictures. Drove on past our turn off on Route 89 to Grand Canyon & went on into Flagstaff for Bk. & also got the car gassed up. Gas was 29¢/gal. The highest yet. We began seeing the foothills of the Rockies - it put me in mind of the Canadian Rockies in Banff Park. - Ah yes! Noticed the car heated up a little this morning & it was really quite cool - The radio was pretty clogged with

dead bugs - I had the man at ~~the~~ the
 service station blow them out with the air hose.
 It sure made a difference - the car ran cool
 again. The drive into Grand Canyon National
 Park was simply gorgeous - took some movies
 of Mary driving into the park - also some of
 the view thru the windshield. Boy what gorgeous
 country! I let Mary drive so I could be free
 to take pictures - I sure had a busy time
 with 2 Leicas & my Movie Camera. Our first
 stop at the Canyon was at Desert Point or
 rather Desert View - the Grand Canyon
 lived up to my every expectation - it sure
 is a gorgeous spectacle. I took quite a few
 shots from Desert View - also stopped a several
 places along the rim of the Canyon as we drove
 thru to Grand Canyon Village. It kept clouding
 up & we even got into some rain but it was
 only a shower. Got in here to Grand Canyon
 Village about 11:30 & was lucky to find a room
 in the El Tovar Hotel - the only hotel in the
 place - in fact the village - consists of just the
 hotel & the cabins which are a part of the
 hotel. We had to take a big room with two
 double beds - it was all they had here at
 the hotel - the place was crowded with a

lot of Rotarians on their way to the Convention at
 San Francisco. As soon as we got checked in
 & settled we had lunch in the Hotel dining
 room - a well place to eat. Boy - it sure is
 quite a contrast to some of the Cafes we had eaten
 in on the trip. It seemed good to be in a
 really nice hotel again. Mary, Mottie & I sure had
 a busy afternoon of sight seeing & shopping for
 souvenirs. It seemed Mary wanted to buy every-
 thing she saw - I was a bit disappointed
 in the weather - very cloudy - however some broken
 sky & flashes of sun from time to time. It sure
 wasn't good weather for taking pictures - I did
 take some however - there wasn't nearly enough
 sun on the Canyon to make it beautiful. We
 took a short ride along the South Rim & I took
 a couple more pictures. We met our friends from
 Ohio this afternoon again - it's funny how on a
 trip you get so friendly with people you meet
 more than once. At 5:30 we saw the cludean's
 Dame here at the Hotel - I got some colored
 movies of them. We got acquainted with an
 old couple from Clearwater, Florida this afternoon -
 ran into them several different places - the old
 gent was quite a card - Mary, Mottie & I got a
 big kick out of hearing him talk. Oh Yee!

Mary decided to-day she would take the trip by mule to the bottom of the Canyon with me to-morrow - we registered for the trip & leave at 9:00 in the morning. Mary had to rent a pair of slacks & I got a cowboy hat for the trip. Gee! I'm sure looking forward to the trip - however I am just a bit apprehensive about it - for the man asked me my weight & when I said 200 lbs. he questioned whether they had a large enough donkey for me. He thought it would be O.K. if we took the short trip & that is the one we are planning to take. Mary & I looked over some color slides of the Canyon on sale & bought a couple - also some new master reels. - Had dinner to-night at the coffee shop in the Angle Lodge & then went to the Movie & Lecture at the Gold Lookout by one of the Gold Bros. who were one of the first to explore the depths of the Canyon. He gave a most interesting lecture illustrated with movies & slides - The movies some of them were taken over 30 yrs ago of some of his expeditions down the Canyon. It sure was exciting - I enjoyed it very much. After the movies we stopped in at Angle Lodge to see them dancing. Mary & I had a dance.

It was a beautiful moon-light night & it was certainly thrilling walking along the rim of the Canyon. Mother, Mary & I got back to the room about 10:00 - wrote a lot of cards. It has been the most exciting & enjoyable days of the whole trip thus far - even though the weather wasn't too good this afternoon - had a couple short showers. I looked over my notes for my talk at San Jose, took a bath & turned in at 11:30 - Mother & Mary had gone on to bed a bit earlier.

6/4/47 WEDNESDAY:

A beautiful day at the Grand Canyon - I got up at 6:00 - didn't wake Mary or Mother. I shaved & dressed & then walked out along the rim of the Canyon to see the effect of the early morning sun on it. It sure looked beautiful & I got a couple of pictures. Came back to the hotel at 7:00 - met Mary in the lobby & we had breakfast in the dining room. We were both all excited about the trip to the bottom of the canyon. Went back to the room & got all decked up for the ride - Mother didn't get up - she took it easy at the Hotel to-day. Mary & I rented car boy hats & Mary also

rented a shirt & a pair of slacks. After we got
 all decked out we went up in front of the
 hotel & I got a couple of pictures of us in
 our outfits. At 8:45 we hurried down to the
 Corral at the top of the Bright Angel Trail -
 The people were gathering for the trip to
 the bottom of the Canyon. It was a beautiful
 day - as clear as a bell - I got some color
 shots both stills & movies. I was surprised to
 learn that Mary & I were the only ones signed
 up for the Plateau Trip, all the rest were
 going all the way to the river. I was a bit
 disappointed at first but it turned out best.
 There sure was a lot of excitement around the
 Corral getting all the parties assigned to
 mules & started down the trail. Mary & I
 had to wait until last as we were taking the
 short trip. Had our pictures taken before we
 started down - that is the regular procedure.
 It sure is tough riding going down the trail -
 it is quite steep in places & the donkeys sure
 give you a real jolting. I had a real big mule
 called Riley - they gave me a large mule due to
 my weight. Mary's mule was called Skillet - she
 had some trouble making him keep up with
 our guide Guy. The guide kept pushing

us right along on the way down. Had to make the
 mules trot at times to catch up & oh boy, what
 a bounding you got then. Mary began to com-
 plain before we got half way down & said
 she was sorry she had come & I knew what
 she meant. But the view of the canyon as
 we came down the trail was absolutely gorgeous.
 Made a short rest stop at the Indian
 Gardens in the clump of large trees. Two of the
 three parties who had started out ahead of us
 were still there. Three of one of the parties de-
 cided to change their minds & join us for the
 shorter trip to Plateau Point. That made 5
 in our party. We dropped about 4000 feet coming
 down the trail - The view from Plateau Point
 was really beautiful. The guide said it was
 much prettier than down near the river as you
 were boxed in by the walls of the Canyon. I made
 good use of the new Polaroid Lens on my camera
 in taking the color pictures - I do hope I had
 the right combination on it, for I would have to
 look any of the pictures. It sure seemed
 different looking up at the sides of the Canyon
 instead of looking down at them. We were out on
 Plateau Point only 15 or 20 minutes - just time
 enough to have a good look & to take the





pictures - then returned to the Indian Gardens where we watered our mules & ate the box lunch they had prepared for us in the shade of the large trees. The Indian Gardens is just like an Oasis in a desert for it is the only real green spot anywhere we could see. It was getting quite warm & the shade sure felt good - it also felt good to get off those mules after all the bouncing we had taken. Two tame deer & a dozen or so squirrels kept us company while we ate lunch.

My & I laid out on the picnic table for a short rest after lunch. I got some pictures of the cactus blooms. There were many different types of cactus along the trail but the thing that amazed me most was the rock formation. There were signs along the trail that pointed out places in the rock which showed sea shells & various shark teeth etc. which proved the rock was formed many thousands of years ago under the sea or at the bottom of an ocean. We started back about 2:00 & that really is a climb coming up the trail. I was surprised to find that they allow people to hike down the trail - we met several parties. One older couple about half way up were so exhausted they just couldn't make it so they had called for one of the guides to bring down a couple of mules. There are several

spots along the trail where they can call the
 Canall at the top. We met the mules coming
 down & had to double back on the trail to a
 point where we could pass. I had a little
 trouble getting Riley to go the other direction - it
 seemed a bit dangerous turning the mules around
 on the narrow trail. We met another couple who
 were just about fagged & they inquired of Guy how
 much it would cost to get a couple of mules.
 He told them \$20.00 & they changed their mind.

The trail was very dusty - about 2' of dust on
 most of it. I had the rear position in our
 pack so I got all the dust. I let Riley hang
 back some to keep out of most of it. I tried to
 take some moccasins from Riley's back but that
 didn't work so well. We made about 20 stops
 on the way up to rest the mules. It sure was
 a hard grind for them, for but for on the trip
 back was a lot easier than the trip down - the
 mules rode more smoothly - but it was a hard
 ride never-the-less - one of the older ladies in
 our party came near fainting - we had to stop &
 the guide got her off the mule just in time. He
 gave her a drink of water & some soothing salts to
 revive her. That held us up about 10 min. - we
 got back to the Canall at 4:40. It was a

wonderful trip but I was glad it was over. Mary & I were both plenty saddle weary. Came back to the hotel & cleaned up some, I sure felt grumpy riding in that dust on the trail. We checked out right away - as I was going out to get the car I was surprised to meet Bill & Janet Mason from Rochester. They had arrived this afternoon & had spotted our car in the parking lot. They were much interested in the details about our trip to the bottom of the Canyon as they were expecting to go to-morrow. Mary & I gave some what conflicting stories about it - we had some fun kidding them about it. Only had a few minutes to visit with them - one of the Chinese Bellhops helped me out with all the baggage & as soon as we were loaded we were on our way - left about 5:30. Mary & I felt so exhausted we only drove out to the town of Williams which was about 60 miles - got in here about 6:30 & found well accomodation - two rooms with a bath between in Hall's Hotel, a new place just opening up. As soon as we got checked in we went down the street to Rod's Steak Shop - Mary & I splurged a bit & each had a well big steak & it was delicious. We thought it would help to revive us after that mule ride

To-day, however we all over ate. After eating
 Winton & Mary stopped for supper & I took the
 car to a gas or service station & had it
 lubricated & oil changed. I stayed with the car
 while it was being done. When I got back to
 the Hotel I was surprised that Winton & Mary
 hadn't returned - I went down the street & met
 them walking back - we all stopped in for a while
 & Mary & Winton got involved in some more shopping.
 Mary had bought me a little milk or a cream of
 my ride to-day. Mary saw Mexican Painter Plates
 in a shop for 1.00 just like Winton had paid \$1.50
 for so she took them back - the poor Winton had
 gotten & paid her \$2.00. Got back to the room
 about 10:00 - I wrote some cards - but I felt
 so damn tired & sore - I took a shower & then
 in about 10:30 - besides being sore - I had a bad
 sun-burn on my arm & face. To-bed 10:30.

6/5/47 THURSDAY:

Got up at 5:00 & were on our way out
 of William by 5:40 - boy, I sure felt tough,
 I was so sore from that mule ride yesterday I
 could hardly get out of bed. I let Mary drive
 quite a bit for I had a headache & I felt
 sick at my stomach. We drove on then to

Kingman for breakfast - just toast & coffee.
 I mailed the 3rd. movie film at the post
 office in Kingman. We hurried along & got up
 to Hoover Dam about 10:00 - we had gained
 another hour, crossing into the Pacific time zone
 between Williams & Kingman. The Hoover Dam
 was really a thrill for me - it sure is a
 great Engineering feat. I had the misfortune
 of losing a screen out of my Tri-jod which put
 it out of order; however I took quite a few
 pictures of the Dam. Many also bought 3 View
 Master reels so I guess we have the place well
 covered. It sure is a beautiful piece of work. We
 took the guided tour down to the bottom of the
 Dam. Took an elevator to the bottom a drop of
 over 500' - Took us a minute & 15 seconds to go
 down. I was interested to learn that the Dam
 cost the government 138 million dollars to build &
 they have already gotten back 43 million from the
 sale of power. We also heard a very interesting
 lecture on the Dam. There are 14 large high
 tension lines going out from the Dam which
 serve Arizona & Southern California. They had a
 miniature panorama of the entire Colorado River
 Basin on which they illustrated the 9 min.
 lecture. It was a very interesting story of how

by the Hoover Dam project they had converted the raging Colorado River from a destructive thing to a very useful project by storing the flood water during the spring when the snow melts & runs off the mountains, into Lake Mead formed by the Dam, the largest artificial Lake in the World. The water is then released during the dry season for irrigation purposes in Southern California. I had never thought of the Dam having other purposes than the generation of power - it also seems to store water for irrigation & to control the spring floods of the Colorado River. We saw a car with 2 in N.Y. license & assumed it was someone from Endicott. Drove on over to Boulder City & stopped there for lunch about 12:00. It was a beautiful little town right out in the hot barren country. Drove on into Las Vegas after lunch & spent an hour or so looking the place over. Myotom, Mary & I were in & out of most of the big gambling places & they were having a lot of them. We each tried our luck on the 5 & 10 cent slot machines - Myotom surprised us by getting a 50¢ bill on her first coin - we were then a couple over that. I got about 50¢ out of the machines.

I tried but I put in about a dollar. Las Vegas sure is a wide open town - every store has a counter of slot machines - and everyone seems dressed gay & ready for more anything. We all got quite a kick out of seeing the place. Took some pictures of Las Vegas & left about 3:30 - Mother seemed quite interested in seeing Death Valley but it was not enough driving as it was & I had inquired about driving thru Death Valley at Boulder Dam & the man told me he thought we would have enough driving over desert crossing the Mojave Desert so I gave up the idea of seeing Death Valley & we took route 91 out of Las Vegas for Baker California. Stopped at the California State Line & took a movie of Mary driving the car into Calif. I discovered after we left Las Vegas that I had left ^{good straw} my hat in the little Cafe in Boulder City when we had lunch. It was too far to go back so we ^{just} left it. Stopped in Baker for gas & something to drink at a big Service Station & inquired again about Death Valley - both Mother & Mary were quite interested in seeing it - the man gave us a map of Death Valley National Park & told us ^{just} how to go & where to stay so we decided to change our course & instead of going on

into Bartlow we turned North to Death Valley. The reason for Death Valley is from Nov. 1st to May 1st. but he assured us we could get accommodations at the Amargosa Hotel at Death Valley Junction & Duncan Miner listed it as being open all year so we ventured on. And it sure was an exciting & venture. Took route 127 North from Baker to Shoshone & Death Valley Junction - only met one car in over 80 miles. It was very unusual country - stormy & took several pictures along the way. Got into Death Valley Junction about 7:00 Pacific Time & found only one other car or party at the Amargosa Hotel. We were pleasantly surprised with the accommodations - however they were a bit tough - \$6.50 for Mary & I & \$5.00 for Mott. It was built all on one level just like a Hotel or Tourist Court. I took a couple of pictures but the sun had gone down back of the mountains & there wasn't hardly enough light. We were all surprised how cool it got when the sun went down. Here I thought it would be deathly hot in Death Valley & it was actually cooler than it is at home during the summer. After we got checked in we drove back down the road a little way to the little Grave Yard - a very primitive

setting with just wooden crosses as grave markers.
 I got some pictures. There was a nice sunset over
 the desert & the wind came up after dark to
 make it sound & seem even more desolate. Death
 Valley Junction consists of only the Hotel & a service
 station on the highway - all operated by the Pacific
 Coast Borax Company. We had supper in the
 coffee shop at the Hotel & had the man open the
 souvenir shop, general store & post office which was
 all one, to get some cards. I felt a little better
 to-night but my sunburn is still very bad.
 Mary still complained this evening that she had
 pain from the mule ride. We sat in the lobby
 of the Hotel for awhile after supper & looked at
 several photograph albums of pictures of Death
 Valley, most of them reminiscent of the 20th full
 year Death Valley Days - we also looked over
 the big rock collection - it all seemed to add
 atmosphere to the place. It certainly was the
 most unique place we have stayed at yet &
 we were all glad we came this way. Wrote a
 lot of cards to-night so we could mail them from
 Death Valley. I was surprised they were so
 free with their water out here on the desert - no
 restrictions at all - took a shower & turned in
 about 10:45.

6/6/47 FRIDAY:

A beautiful morning in Death Valley Junction - I was awoken by the sun shining in my window & got up with a start thinking I had over slept, but the clock said 4:55 - The sun sure came up early out here in the desert. We hurried around to get off before it got too hot on the Desert. I took several pictures of the place - Mother & Mary struck up a conversation with the old man who the proprietor of the hotel had told us was one of the original of the 20 mule team gang, Johnny Mills. I got a picture of Mother & Mary talking with him. Told us he was the one who had given the Radio people the stories they used on The Death Valley Day Programs. He said they always dressed them up some - was an interesting old chap. It was about 6:00 when we shoved off for the drive up thru Death Valley - I was surprised to find it so cool - the air coming in the windows of the car was actually cool. We had to stop to register as we entered the Death Valley Park - There was no ranger at the station & the whole area was so barren & desolate it made you feel some how that you were signing your death warrant. We stopped at ZABRISKIE POINT

as we had been advised to do and in sure
 was a beautiful view of the soil erosion on
 the desert. The color on the sand were absolutely
 gorgeous & the sun was just right. I really
 had a picnic taking picture. It sure was
 a beautiful drive on up thru Death Valley -
 I wouldn't have missed it for anything. We
 got quite a kick out of watching the alti-
 meter on the car - it kept going down &
 at Furnace Creek down where we stopped
 to take it a picture it reached the all time
 low of about 200' below sea level. It
 seemed funny to see a beautiful big clam
 way out there on the Desert & it was
 entirely deserted - closed for the summer - it
 is open only Nov. 1st. to May 1st. We kept
 watching the altimeter & it was 200' or more
 below sea level for miles up thru the Valley.
 The altimeter only registers to 0' but the
 hand went over past the mark about 2 divisions.
 It was the first & probably the only time I
 shall ever see the thing read below 0'. We
 also stopped to take some picture of the
 sand dunes - it sure is pretty to see
 the sand all drifted up like snow banks.
 I had to walk quite a distance from the

road to get the picture I wanted. It had begun
 to get plenty warm. It sure was interesting to
 see the difference in elevation as we climbed out
 of Death Valley - we went from about 300' below
 sea level up to over 5000' coming over Townes
 pass over into Panamint Valley. The Buick
 sure worked swell - didn't even warm up -
 that sure is a swell car - we have really
 enjoyed it on this trip. Stopped at Panamint
 Springs - just a road side service station for
 lunch - inquired there as to whether the
 Tioga Pass was open into the back of Yosemite
 Park - a young couple who were also having
 breakfast there said they had come over the
 pass the day before but that they got into
 a snow storm so we had better check to make
 sure it was still open. ^{We} drove on then to
 Lone Pine & there inquired again - stopped at
 a Ranger Station but there was no one around
 a note on the door advised us to inquire at
 the service stations for road information - we
 stopped in a station & was assured the pass
 would be open so we ventured on - all of us
 were wondering what we were really getting
 into. Just outside of Lone Pine we started
 looking for Mt. Whitney & had to double

back some to get a picture of it. Drove on
 to Bishop & stopped there for lunch - after
 eating I looked around for a barber shop to get
 my hair cut - found 3 shops but all busy so
 we sat on - got the car geared up & drove
 on as we wanted to get over the Tioga Pass
 before it got too late. Just outside of Bishop
 we noticed a lot of trucks & equipment along
 the road - May recognized it as a Movie Co.
 was on a location for taking movies - there was
 a Warner Bros. Emblem on all the trucks. We
 stopped at the top of the hill & walked
 back to inquire what was going on. In all
 of our excitement of getting out of the car we
 locked the key in the car. Boy! I sure was
 glad I had put the key under the hood before
 leaving home - all I had to do was borrow
 a screw driver from the movie tool truck &
 I was all set again. We discovered Warner
 Bros. had Anna Sheridan & Earl Flynn there on
 location about an hour earlier shooting a scene
 for their new movie Silver River. We were
 sure sorry to have missed seeing them - one of
 the men pointed out the double or stand-in
 for Earl Flynn - he sure looked just like
 him. After we left there & drove on a

few miles we saw a group of cowboys rounding
 up a whole herd of cows so we stopped & I
 got some pictures - movie too. Drove on thru
 to the little town of ~~Leevinig~~ ^{LEE VINING} where we turned
 off the highway for the Tiogo Pass. We in-
 quired at the town & found the Pass was definitely
 open - boy what a drive it was up the mountain,
 the road was very narrow & steep - both Mary
 & Mother were nervous about our safety. The view
 looked perilous for you could look almost straight
 down several 1000 feet & there was no guard
 rails of any kind. We stopped a couple of places
 to take pictures - boy what a view back down
 the Valley. We went up to over 9000' feet
 coming over the pass - drove thru places where
 there were snow banks 4' high on the side of
 the road. Talk about your contrasts & all in
 the same day - we had come from 200'
 below sea level to over 9500' above sea
 level & from 100° to down around 50°.
 At Leevinig the man had said it would
 take us 3½ hours to drive the approx. 70 miles
 to the floor of Yosemite Valley - I couldn't
 believe it would take that long but I knew
 what he meant when we started down
 thru Yosemite Park. We left Leevinig

about 3:15 & got up into the park about
 4:30 but we still had 40 miles or more
 to drive & about 20 of this was down the
 sides of the mountain on a very narrow, winding
 road where you couldn't drive more than 20 or
 25 miles/hr. I couldn't believe it was on the
 right road at first. It sure was some
 drops down into Yosemite Valley - from 9500' +
 down to about 4000'. We finally arrived
 at the Yosemite Lodge about 7:00 & I was
 glad to be able to get a cabin - took the
 last one they had - a cabin with two double
 beds equipped for horse keeping - they let us
 have it for \$4.50 for the three of us. We
 thought that very reasonable until we saw
 what it was. The cafeteria closed at 7:30
 so we had supper before checking in - had
 to have one of the bell-boys get a cart to
 take our luggage down to the cabin. It
 was way out in the woods - about the last
 one down & just a cabin - toilet about a
 half block away & no carpet on the floor. We
 then realized \$1.50 each was plenty. As soon as
 we got settled we went back up to the
 lodge to see the entertainment which they
 had advertised. Saw some very nice colored

movies of things at Yosemite Park. At 8:30 we
 hurried away & drove down to the meadow just
 below the Hospital to see the much talked
 about Fire Fall. I was told I could get a
 good picture of it from there. I set up my
 movie camera & also had Mary all set to take
 a color slide. We were all set & ready to
 grab the picture sharply at 9:00 when they pushed
 the road of the bond fire over the cliff at
 Elmer Point. They do it every night sharply
 at 9:00 for the guests at the Park. I was very
 much disappointed in it - you could hardly see
 it & it lasted only a second or two. Mary didn't
 even take a picture & I was glad she didn't.
 I did take a few movies. We returned to the
 Lodge & spent some time ^{in the} lobby writing cards.
 I took my things out of the car & wrote some of
 those notes in the lounge at the Lodge. Mother &
 Mary turned in about 10:00 - I stayed &
 wrote mine about 11:00 - had a soda at the
 Lodge before going down to the cabin at 11:00.
 I needed a good shower but couldn't take
 one. We were roughed it to-night. It seemed
 like going back to Yafame, this walking down
 thru the woods to get to the hotel.

6/7/47 SATURDAY:

I was awoken about 6:00 by heavy rain fall on the roof of our cabin - it was damp enough in the woods anyway but the rain sure made it plenty wet. It really rained hard for a couple of hours - I thought, what California weather & I was afraid we were in for a rainy day at Yosemite Park. It held up about 7:30 & I got up about 8:00 - had to go down across the woods to the men's toilet to wash & shave. They did have hot water so it could have been worse. The ground was covered with large puddles of water so we really had a heavy rain. Mary & Mother got up & we all walked up to the Lodge about 9:20 for breakfast - got there just in time as they close the cafeteria at 9:30. After breakfast Mother & Mary did some shopping around for souvenirs & I took some pictures of the Yosemite falls over the Lodge. It had cleared up a little but was very much overcast - not even picture taking weather at all. I was really quite disappointed for Yosemite is a beautiful place & I don't know when I shall ever get out here again.

We stopped over to Curry Camp & looked over the
 place - also stopped at the Administration Bldg.
 & paid our car fee of \$2.00 for the privilege of
 using the roads in the park. It seemed a
 bit high - for it is a season permit & we
 only intend to use it to-day. Took a look
 thru the Museum & heard an interesting lecture
 on the glacier period in the which the Yosemite
 Valley was formed - they had large relief maps
 on which the lecture was illustrated. It gave
 you a little of the romance & background of the
 place. Took a ride around the park to see
 some of the beauty spots of the Valley
 Floor - saw Mirror Lake & a close-up view
 of Yosemite Falls - took some movies of the
 falls. There was plenty of light - however no
 sun. Oh yes! I had to buy a black & white
 film this morning the seven I had loaded into
 cartridge before leaving home had all been
 used. I sure will have plenty of pictures
 of the trip. I take more black & white as the
 weather isn't always good for color. Took a
 drive back up to ward Tioga Pass to get
 a picture from the outlook on the top
 of the mountain or on the side of the mountain
 on the way up. Got back to the Lodge

about 1:20 & just had time to get lunch at
 the cafeteria as it closed at 1:30. After lunch
 I got the boy with the car & went down
 to the cabin to get our luggage - checked
 out about 2:00 - took some pictures of our
 cabin & the car with our luggage. We
 left Yosemite Lodge about 2:30 & couldn't
 quite decide whether we wanted to take the
 long 35 m.m. ride up around the mountain to
 Glacier Point to see the view from there. Took
 some pictures of Bridalveil Fall, Cathedral Rocks
 & El Capitan on our way down the Valley. Also
 got some pictures of Tunnel View. When
 we reached the turn off point to go to
 Glacier Point it was 16 mi. off our
 road down to the south end of the park.
 We still couldn't quite decide whether we should
 take the time so we drove by several miles &
 then I thought of what I would have missed
 if I hadn't turned back to see Death Valley
 so I turned back & we drove up to Glacier
 Point - got up there about 4:30 & it was
 really beautiful - got some well shot I hope -
 however the sun was partly obscured & large
 clouds kept floating by & I never did get
 a shot with sun on the Yosemite Falls. I

saw the spot where they push the fire over the cliff to make the fire fall. They had the back all piled up for to-night. I was surprised that it was such a small pile - no wonder it doesn't look like more. We turned on to reach the Wawona ~~the~~ Tree & the Wawona Drive of big trees at the south end of the Park. It was quite a drive over 36 miles from Glacier Point & all winding roads. We finally got there at 6:30 - luckily the sun was still showing out some & the light wasn't too bad - had to use the camera almost wide open however. Got pictures of Mphah & Mary in the Wawona Tree & also Mary driving thru the tree. I sure had a picnic taking the pictures - got it in both black & white, color & also movie. Left there about 6:45 & drove out of the park about 7:00. Started looking for a place to stay but finally decided to drive on down to Fresno as it is a big town & we would have a better chance to get a place. Had to drive all the way thru town before we found many hotels - stopped in the El Rancho a lovely hotel - they were filled but the man called another place down the street, The Ritz Hotel & we got rooms there - very nice accommodations. It was about 8:30 when

we got checked in - cleaned up a bit & then drove back to the El Rancho for some supper. It was by far the cleanest hotel we have seen yet. After eating we drove back down town to see more of it - we were very much impressed with the lovely modern store windows. It was the nicest thing we have seen yet - wide streets & really beautiful places. Stopped in a drive-in for a drink & got back to the room about 10:30 - did some writing & turned in about 11:15. We were quite surprised to find it so warm down here in Fresno - quite a contrast to the mountain air of Yosemite Park. All of the motels are air cooled something we hadn't seen before - it sure felt good too - we had our fan on most all the time in our room.

6/8/47 SUNDAY:

A beautiful morning in Fresno, we slept late - didn't get up until 8:00 & then took our time getting packed. I was all out of Black & White Film - I inquired at the motel office where I could get film & the man told me of a place just on the edge of town - Mary

rode in with me while Mother was getting dressed.
 I got 2 PLAS X 35 m.m. Films. We took some
 picture of the Ritz Motel as we checked out.
 Drove down to the El Rancho Motel for breakfast -
 The El Rancho sure is a lovely place - with
 the ideal semi-tropical setting - with an outside
 patio & swimming pool. I tried to call Bob Wright,
 Dwyer's friend whom I met before leaving N.Y.
 I called his home & got Mrs. Wright - Bob was
 attending a meeting down town so I left a message
 with his wife - told her to tell him we had made
 California on schedule. Took route #99 north from
 Fresno to Stockton - a beautiful wide highway
 up thru the San Joaquin Valley. Stopped at a
 gas station just outside of Fresno & tried to call
 Herb Reynolds. Called the Roma Wine Plant where
 Herb is production control mgr. & got the watch-
 man at the gate - he was very nice & looked
 up Herb's home address - found he had moved
 into a new home & had no phone. I left word
 with the guard that I would call Wed. on our
 way down to Long Beach. # They were picking
 figs in an orchard just across from the gas
 station - Mary Mother & I went over to see them
 & I got a picture. We also stopped at a place
 in Madera where they sold THE WORLD'S LARGEST

GLASS OF ORANGE JUICE, each had a glass - 20¢ a glass. The San Joaquin Valley is certainly a paradise - very fertile. We stopped at a new, very modern drive in eating place for some lunch in Modesto for lunch about 1:30 - Got into Stockton ~~at~~ about 3:00 & stopped in the Stockton Hotel & called Jim Corson. He directed me out to his home & we drove on out. Jim was home alone - the family had gone out with the car. Jim got in with us & gave us a personally guided tour of the College of the Pacific & the town of Stockton. As President of the Stockton Chamber of Commerce & a member of the faculty of the College of the Pacific he was really well qualified as a guide. It was very interesting to see & hear all about the college - we stopped & went in the Chapel - they were getting ready for a wedding. We met the organist Allen Bacon a very good friend of Dwayne's. Jim showed us the Port of Stockton - I was surprised to learn that they can bring ocean going ships right into Stockton. We also drove thru Oxford Manor & Pacific Manor the main residential section of town. The California Homes are really beautiful. Stayed around to see the home that Dwayne & Edna built - took a picture of it - it is a very nice home.

Jim's family were home when we got back to his home. Mary & I went in & met the family - Mrs. Corson & their 4 children Jim, John, Mary Ann & Richard - also Mrs. Corson's Mother & Father. Had a short visit with them & then left about 4:15 for San Jose. Stopped at Mission San Jose about 15 min. for a look thru the old mission. It was about 15 miles from San Jose so I called Roy William to find whether he could get us reservation for to-night at the same place he had made them for to-morrow night. Drove on for about 10 mi. & called Roy back just before getting into San Jose - Roy was unable to get reservation for us but arranged to meet us at 1st. Street just outside of town - so we drove on & got there just a minute or so before Roy & his wife. Roy has a new Buick too - a light green one. Met Nina, Roy's wife & we followed them as they drove on to show us where the Motel was - it was about 6:30 & most of them were filled - we had to drive all the way across town & finally found one "Hillview Motel" way out of town, however it was a very nice place. After we got checked in - Mother, Mary & I drove back down town & had dinner at Obrien's - a swell place. It was about 9:30 by the time we got finished - we were the last ones out of the restaurant. Returned to the

Motel & I spent the rest of the evening reviewing my speech for to-morrow. Mary went on to bed - I retired about 11:30.

9/9/47 MONDAY:

A dull cloudy morning in San Jose - I was surprised not to find the sun out when I got up & out about 7:30 - it looked like rain & everyone we asked said it was just very unusual weather. Had some breakfast & then at 8:00 stopped over to the Post Office but had no mail, so was a bit disappointed - Had to wait until 9:00 for a Barber Shop to open - I kidded the barber about the cloudy weather & he told me it was just a high fog - but by the time I got out of the shop about 9:30 it had begun to break away & the sun came out. It is really quite cool when it is cloudy but when that sun shows thru it is quite warm. Got a new straw hat & Mary left my slacks & a shirt to be cleaned & pressed. Then we drove back to the Motel & got Mother checked out & I drove Mary & Mother down town about 10:15 - Mary had made an appointment at a beauty shop for 10:30. I drove on out to the plant 16th. & to John St. It is a very nice looking city. & Roy has a very nice set-up. Saw Larry Mason & Hal Wolf the Western Division Sales Manager.

I was pleased to get 5 letters from Endicott - two for Mary & I from Mr. DeVente. Arranged with Wolfe to have Howard Gee at Fresno get us reservation there for Wed. Night & Mr. Graham at Long Beach get us reservation at Long Beach for Thu & Fri. Mr. Art Bramback mgt. of our Seattle Office - Art told me it was necessary to get reservations as much as 1 month ahead to take the boat trip to Victoria & Vancouver so I arranged with him to get reservations for us. At 12:00 Roy, Hal Wolfe & I hurried down town to the De ANZA Hotel for the Kiwanis Meeting. I followed them in my car so the car would be there for Mary. It was a larger group than I had expected - about 110 - & a lovely room - met quite a few of the fellows. The acoustics were bad, they had to use a mike & loud speaker and besides that they had a second mike to make a wire recording of the talk for use on the radio later if they can do. This sort of upset me some. I wasn't at all pleased with the job I did - I had to read most of the talk & that always weakens a talk. Roy & the fellows seemed to be pleased with it however. I spoke on the subject, the History of Industrial Training & Education. After the meeting I found Mary & Mother having lunch in the dining room at the Hotel. I rode back to the plant with Roy

& Hal. I asked them about the brown colored grass
 on the hills & mountains all along the road as
 we were coming into San Jose & learned that during
 the summer they actually go for months without
 rain so the only thing that stays alive in that
 which is irregular - all else dries up & dies. It
 was indeed funny to see miles & miles of dead
 grass on the mountains. - Wolfe's sect. had
 Mr. Graham at Long Beach on the phone - I
 talked with him about reservations - he said it
 would be tough but would try & would wire me.
 Also talked with Howard Bee at Fresno &
 found he couldn't get a reservation at the El
 Rancho Motel so I told him to try the City.
 Arranged with him to contact Herb Reynolds for me
 & arranged to see the Roma Wine plant Wed.
 Morning. Wolfe had wanted me to do this as he
 wanted Bee to make a contact at Roma Wine -
 They now have Remington Rand equipment & he is
 interested in getting them to switch to I.B.M. -
 Ray drove me back to the De Anza. I got
 Mary & Mott & drove them over to the Shoreline Motel
 & got checked in - The old guy there was getting
 all excited about our not coming earlier - he
 is a regular old Jim budget. Ray & M. Yuna
 met us at the Motel - we rode back to the

plant & dropped Roy, & Nina took us in their Buick
 for a ride around San Jose to see the points of
 interest. She drove us on the Bay Shore Highway
 to Palo Alto to see Stanford Univ. went up
 to the top of the tower of the Hoover Memorial
 Library. Palo Alto is the home of Herbert Hoover.
 Went around the campus & stopped in the Chapel -
 a gorgeous thing. Drove back to San Jose over
 the Highway of the Kings &
 stopped around to see Santa Clara College - a
 very pretty catholic college - a lot of semi-tropical
 plants & flowers. Nina stopped at her home -
 a very nice Californian Home - met her father,
 Mr. Levin & her brother who are out here from
 Endicott, also her son & daughter Juanita who
 is graduating from High School to-morrow.
 Nina drove us around to the plant to pick
 up Roy - I took a couple pictures of the plant.
 Roy & Nina took us back to the Hotel & we got
 cleaned up a bit. They met us here at 6:30 &
 drove us on the Bay Shore Highway about 10 mi.
 to Dinah's Shack a famous eating place!
 Had a wonderful meal - smorgasbord & southern
 fried chicken. Took our time eating & then
 Roy drove us almost into San Francisco
 on the Bay Shore Highway. Came back to

San Jose on the Highway of the Kings. Got back to the Glorieta about 10:00. Wrote a letter to Dot & Jack & some cards to - night. We were all very pleasantly surprised too day with San Jose - it is a much larger & more modern place than I had ever envisioned - about 85,000 pop. as large as Birmingham but it seems even larger. T.S. bed 11:15.

6/10/47 TUESDAY:

Another beautiful day in San Jose - Mary & I got up about 6:30 - Mother slept late - drove down town & had breakfast in the Santa Clara Hotel Coffee Shop. Stopped around to the Buick place & made an appointment to get it greased - had 15 min. to wait so Mary & I stopped around to the Post Office & found Mother had a letter from Eleanor. Got the car greased, it was a beautiful big garage - a nicely appointed waiting room & all. It was about 9:30 when Mary & I got on to the plane. Mary went in with me to see the office - saw Larry Mason - both Larry & Roy are looking forward to coming out to the 100's. Club in Indio next August. Roy didn't have his car & had to be down at the Santa Clara Hotel at 9:30 for an appointment so Mary & I

drove him down. Waited for Roy & got back to the plant about 10:30. Got a box for Mary to pack to send home some of our dirty clothes & moccasins. Mary took a picture of me with Roy in front of the Plant. I spent some time with Roy discussing their training activities - I got a note from Ray Graham advising me that he had gotten our reservation at the Manhattan Ranch Hotel at Manhattan Beach which is just between Long Beach & Los Angeles. Met Mr. Perkins who is an assistant to Wolfe - had seen him in Endicott before. At 11:30 Roy had a photographer out to the plant to take a picture of me with he, Wolfe & Larry. Roy showed me thru the plant & I saw several fellows whom I remembered being at Endicott. Roy would tip me off on the names so I would know to call them by name. I remembered Marty Matell but she didn't recognize me at all. I got Charlie Pogue's address from her - he is her brother Roy tells me. I intend to call Charlie, he is out here now from Endicott - living in Burbank. Roy had Bob Simmons one of the boys at the plant who is a member of the San Jose J.C. & C. invite in several members of the Jr. Chamber board of directors to have lunch with me. There were 6 of them - Kenneth S. Wood, GREG. MACGREGOR, Frank Marx,

Robert Lindsey, Robert M. Pope & Howard Rollin - we all ate lunch in the plant cafeteria. Roy & Hal ate with us. I enjoyed meeting & talking with the fellow & was glad Roy had arranged for our getting to-gether. Mary & Mother were at the plant at 1:00 - left the box for Roy to mail home. Mary didn't have it more than half full. I was very favorably impressed with everything I saw at the plant - it was pretty much as I had expected - quite small. We left shortly after 1:00 for Fresno - took route #101 to Gilroy & then route #152 across to #99 where we did our first actually doubling back on the same road since we left home - took #99 down to Fresno. Mary & Mother are great on stopping along the road at road side stands - we bought a gr. of big red cherries to eat also stopped at a place for nuts & stuffed figs - bought several boxes to take home & some to eat. Also stopped for orange juice, checked in at the RITE MOTEL in Fresno about 4:30 - it was the first time on the trip that we had returned to stay over night for the 2nd time at any one place. Called Howard Bee at the IBM Office & as soon as we checked in we drove down to the office - a nice new bldg. but the office is small. Met Howard Bee & was surprised to

see Ed Yarnborough whom I had met at Eureka,
 I didn't know he was at Fresno. Howard tried
 to locate Herb Reynolds for me but had no luck.
 I was a bit surprised to find that Howard was
 in a young man & a new salesman in IBH. Had
 dinner at the El Rancho - Howard had discovered
 that the Reynolds had been staying at the El
 Rancho but they had moved. After eating we
 drove down town & looked the show over - couldn't
 make up our minds on one show so we gave up
 that idea & I drove out to the Roma Winery
 just outside of town. I inquired there at the
 guard house & the watchman gave me several names
 to call but none of them could help me. I finally
 called the chief guard, Mr. Crane, the fellow
 I had talked with last Sunday. He said he
 knew where Herb lived & arranged to meet
 us at the corner of Van Ness & Olive Street -
 we drove over there & then followed him around to
 find no one home after all that trouble. He
 was very accommodating. Stopped for a soda &
 then went back to the room. Stopped & took a
 night shot in color of the El Rancho - the
 moon higher on the wind wheel looks so pretty at
 night. Did some writing & then to bed
 11:30.

6/11/47 WEDNESDAY:

A beautiful morning in Fresno - got up about 7:00 - checked out & drove over to the El Rancho for bk. Then stopped at the Horn Photo Shop where I stopped in late Sunday for film - bought a 35 m.m. color & a 27½' length of PLUS X 35 m.m. The fellow gave me 5 empty Kodak cartridges to load - that sure fixed me up on black & white. We got down to the IBM Office about 9:00 - Howard Lee introduced me to a number of the fellows in the Office. He called Don Fowler, Office mgr. at Los Angeles to get reservations for me at Breakfast in Hollywood & also to go in a Movie Studio. Howard drove out to the Roma Wine Plant, Mary rode with him in his new red Buick & I followed. It was nice seeing Herbie again - he showed us all thru the Roma Winery & gave us the whole story on processing grapes for wine. We saw them bottling both wine & champagne. It was very interesting. Herbie is taking over the job of Chief Accountant when the present man retires in a few months - it sounds like a good move for Herb. Left the Winery about 10:30 - bid both Herb. & Howard good-bye & hit the trail for Bakersfield. Stopped twice along the road - once for fruit to eat, Mary got a 2 qt. basket of apricots & apples &

basket of plums - also stopped in the heart of
 the olive growing district & got several jars of
 choice olives. It was about 1:10 when we got into
 Bakersfield - I had just time to hurry in the
 El Tejon Hotel to make the Lions' Meeting - I
 had noticed on the sign coming in town that
 they meet at 12:15 - They were finished with
 the meal & their program was a sound slide film
 on merchandising so the room was darkened. I
 located the seat & got a card to fill out &
 send back to Boyd for my attendance. Then
 I went back to the lobby & met Mary & Mother.
 We had lunch in the coffee shop. It was
 about 2:15 when we left Bakersfield for Los
 Angeles. It was the hottest driving I had
 done so far since leaving home. Mary & I took
 turn driving - we drove thru quite a bit of
 dust - it was quite windy & the air was
 filled with dust - so much so it looked
 like clouds in the air ahead - I had never
 seen anything like it before. It was interesting
 driving up thru & over the mountain before hitting
 Los Angeles. As you come over out of the
 inland valley over to the Ocean side of the
 mountain you begin to see some live vegetation
 on the hills. They do have some rain on the

West side of the coastal rain but the rain doesn't
 get past the mountain. Got into San Francisco
 about 5:00 - stopped & called Don Lawler
 at the office in L.A. - he said it was impossible
 to get reservations for Breakfast in Hollywood,
 sold out until July 19th., but he still had
 hopes of getting us in one of the Movie Studios.
 I arranged to call him in the morning. We
 were sure surprised with Los Angeles it is
 spread all over the map. We got on Sepulveda
 Blvd. & drove all the way across town on it,
 a distance of about 25 to 30 miles. Got into
 a lot of traffic on the planes were letting out.
 Finally hit Manhattan Beach & located our
 Manhattan Beach Hotel. It is a lovely place,
 but a bit high, at least for M. & J. Mary &
 I \$5.00 for a double room & M. & J. \$4.00 for the
 same type of room with bath, but they had no
 singles. Mr. Bowlin the manager, a big
 jolly fellow & a great talker sort of talked
 us into staying. There are a lot of Hotels all
 along the Sepulveda Blvd. on this way but he
 claimed they belonged to a Hotel Assoc. & all charged
 the same prices. Took a picture of Mary & Mr.
 Bowlin - he was a great buddy & a lot of fun.
 Told him how disappointed we were not to get

tickets for Bk. in Hollywood & he said his wife
 had a relative over at the studio & he thought
 they could get me tickets - he tried but couldn't
 do it. After checking in about 6:30 we drove
 down to a dive - in place for some supper.
 Came back to the Hotel & called Mary Lou
 Clark from the office. I was surprised to hear
 how jumbled she talked - you could hardly
 understand her on the phone. The paralysis of
 some of her face muscles had apparently effect-
 ed her speech. Jim was out for the evening
 so she wanted us to come over to-morrow
 evening. Mother & Mary wanted to see the beach
 so I drove them down on the Beach Road
 in Manhattan Beach. We got our first real look
 at the Pacific Ocean to-day. I called Mariano
 Montecarlo but found he & his wife had gone
 out to a movie - talked with his 10yr. old
 daughter. I didn't want to waste the even-
 ing so I decided to drive on in to Long
 Beach to see what was going on at the Jaycees
 Conv. It was about 18 miles from where we are
 staying into Long Beach. We were all pleasantly
 surprised with Long Beach - beautiful big wide
 streets & all lighted up - very modern
 places. Drove right down to the Municipal

Auditorium & parked the car. Mary & Mother did some window shopping while I attended the Jaycee smoker, it was after 9:00 so the entertainment was already started. It was the typical smoker entertainment - it was supposed to be a stag party but I noticed quite a few girls in the back of the Auditorium. I looked around for some of the boys from N.Y. State but couldn't locate them. Saw Tom Baldridge ^{from Va.} & Loftum Latum from Portland Oregon. After Mary & Mother about 10:00 we drove back to Manhattan Beach - got in about 10:30 - wrote some notes & To-bed 11:15.

6/12/47 THURSDAY:

A beautiful day at Long Beach - got up about 6:00 & spent about 45 minutes loading the 5 film cartidges I had gotten in Fresno. I worked in the closet which was dark enough. Mary, Mother & I had bk. at a Drive in place near the Manhattan Beach Hotel. I called Marian Montueller had a nice chat - learned that her wife was expecting a baby any minute - she doesn't like Calif. & is homesick for Endicott, so Marian thinks she will have to come back east. Also called

Mary Lou Clark & arranged to see her & Jim
 this evening. I called Don Lawler at the L.A.
 Office & was disappointed to learn he still didn't
 have any report on whether we could get into a
 Movie Studio. Said he wouldn't know until 9:00.
 so I decided to drive into town & see the Office.
 It was about 12 miles all the way thru city
 traffic. Los Angeles sure is spread out. The
 IBM Office was very nice - was surprised to
 see so many IBM'ers that I knew - first the
 receptionist was Bill Hillbert's sister from Endicott
 whom I recognized - then I saw Wenslow who
 used to be with Max Jennie at Endicott & also
 Dave Jones Jr. who is a salesman in the L.A.
 Office. Met Don Lawler & was pleased to
 learn that Don had arranged to have Al
 Tany, one of the salesman who handles the movie
 accounts take me thru the Movie Studio to-
 morrow. Don showed Mary & I thru the Office
 we met Mr. O'Malley the IBM Mgr. & had a
 nice chat. Since the Movie Studio trip didn't
 materialize for to-day I decided to take in
 the Jr. Chamber Conv. at Long Beach - left
 the Office about 10:00 & drove back to the
 Hotel before going on down to Long Beach -
 Mary & Hotten weren't quite satisfied with the

price of our room at the Manhattan Hotel so we stopped & inquired at a couple of places & found that comparable accommodations were more at other places so we decided to stay another night.

Got down to Long Beach about 12:30 - parked the car & hurried down to the Auditorium for the Jaycee Luncheon. Mother & Mary went shopping. The Luncheon was right out on the lawn between the Auditorium & the Beach. It was a beautiful set-up & a beautiful day - however it was terribly hot. Met Paul Taler on the way in & ate with Paul & some of the boys from Ohio - saw Jim Riggs whom I had met before. Dick Parker of Rochester also joined us. The luncheon was put on by the Georgian Jaycee - southern fried chicken & plenty of it. I took some B. & W. pictures - then took my camera back to the car & got the color camera & the movie camera. It was a beautiful spot for color pictures. Took a whole film of color movie - Selden Waldo presided - I used a telephoto lens & got some close-ups of him & the main speaker. Right in the middle of the talk a Hellinger came over & landed on the lawn right beside the band stand - it sure interrupted the meeting - over half of the fellows had left right after the lunch was

served & those left were all attracted by the Hellicopter - I felt sorry for the speaker. Sheldon apologized to the speaker after he had finished & also asked the Joyner who had demonstrated such poor taste as to leave the meeting to also apologize. He was not alone about it - called the fellows in the Hellingsten publishing section. I got some swell movies of the Hellingsten landing - had my telephone line on at the time & was all set up just right. I should be a swell picture. I saw Geo. Morgan & some of the boys from Buffalo - but I didn't see Bill Morgan. Paul Teller was not of interest with the convention - only about 12 came from N.Y. State - Joe Hanna didn't show up & so far Joe Washburne hadn't yet in an appearance. I spent some time after the meeting looking around the place & taking some typical J.C. Chamber shots - boy it sure was hot around that place. Met Dave Young of J. of Honolulu & some of the boys from Hawaii - there were only about 5 or 6 fellows - however they had a booth & were giving out principles & other first jives. I saw old man Bill Long didn't make the trip - I was sorry to hear that. I sat in on part of the General Session in the Auditorium, a lot of talk of

Portland Oregon, U.S.J.C.C. Vice Pres. presided. The
 topic was "Devolving World Understanding" - There
 were about a dozen different speakers taking part
 & I wondered where Joe Washielek was as I ex-
 pected to see him among them. Sure enough
 Joe came dashing in late as usual. I was
 in the back of the auditorium so when Joe came in
 I went back to say hello. He stayed & talked
 a few minutes - told me he & Mfianin were
 finished - They were getting a divorce - according
 to Joe, Mfianin has had another man on the
 string for a long time & he didn't know it. I
 asked him about his trip to Europe & learned
 that he had to give it up as Mfianin's lawyer
 wouldn't let him leave the country. I was quite
 surprised to hear of all of Joe's troubles however
 I knew he was leading a rather gay life.
 He told me Mfianin was asking for \$30,000 & \$500
 a month - also the home at Lake Mfianin &
 the two cars. Joe sure does like to save.
 He had to go up on the platform so I didn't
 have a chance to ask him any details. Met
 Mfianin & Mary about 4:00 - we stopped around
 to the IBM Office & was surprised to find it
 located on the 5th floor of a regular office
 bldg. only a small set-up. I had never

seen a set-up for an IBM Office Sale in Mary
 went in with me. We met Mr. Stevens the
 Office Mgr. - Ray Graham the IBM Mgr. had
 gone for the day so we missed seeing him. Mr.
 Stevens treated us very cordially & told us a little
 about Long Beach. We stopped around to the
 Post Office & were pleased to get a couple of
 letters - a long newsy one from Mr. De Vore &
 I received a Father's Day card from Mary Lou
 & Barbara - I was much pleased to get it. We
 stopped back down to the Beach Walk & got some
 souvenirs to send home for the girls. Left L.B.
 about 5:15 & drove back to Manhattan Beach -
 stopped at a din-in for some supper. Not clean-
 ed up a bit & then left the Motel about 7:30
 to drive up to Glendale to see the Clarks -
 had to drive all the way across Los Angeles -
 a distance of over 30 miles thru traffic - but
 we know it was such a trip I don't believe
 we would have made it. It took us over
 a hour & a half to get there. They live way
 up on the side of a mountain - a lovely home
 one you get there. It was nice seeing Mary
 Lou & Jim again - Mary Lou was better than
 I had expected her from recent distance by
 the paralysis she had suffered - however it

is quite hard to talk with her. We enjoyed
 remaining with the Clarks - they showed us
 their little home - it sure is nice. Jim is in
 with a fellow by the name of James - & with Bill
 Pond - they call it James, Pond & Clark -
 it is a small suff. business of special pro-
 motion - he explained they run subvt lots of
 test out new products. Mary Lou asked me
 to keep Jim in mind if a good job opened
 up in IBM which made me wonder whether
 he was getting along well - according to Herbie
 Reynolds - Jim wasn't doing so well since
 his other business folded up. I called Maxine
 Montecello again & talked awhile - asked her
 to give my regards to Charlie Pope - my old
 buddy who is now out here in Burbank. Mary
 Lou fixed some coffee for us. Oh Yea, I en-
 joyed seeing Sandra - she sure had grown up
 since I last saw her & Jim brought little
 Claudia down so we could see her - she is
 about 2 yrs. old. Left for our quarters about 11:00
 I stopped for a drink & we got back here about
 12:30 - we sat up & wrote cards for over
 an hour - I had a lot I wanted to mail
 from Long Beach to some of the Jr. Chamber
 fellows. To-bed 2:00.

6/13/47 FRIDAY

A beautiful day in Los Angeles - got up at 7:00 - Checked out of the Manhattan Ranch Hotel & had bk. at a Drive-in Restaurant nearby. Drove on down town to the IBM Office & got there about 9:15 - was disappointed to learn that Al. Terry couldn't go with us to get in in the Moore Studios. However Don Langer had arranged with the publicity dept. at R.K.O., Jack Grenow one of the publicity men to take us thru. Drove on over to the studio about 10:00 & met Jack Grenow - he once treated us more cordially gave us a personally conducted tour of the whole R.K.O. lot. We were in & out of every stage that was in operation. Met several of the movie people - even one actress a Miss Martha Hyer. Saw them testing exposures etc. with several girls for a Western movie they are going to film. Saw Gloria Graham, who played in "It's a Wonderful Life" with Jimmy Stewart. We saw several sets for the film they have in production - "I Remember Manana" starring Clare Dunn - one one of the set they were shooting a scene & we got a glimpse of Clare Dunn. The locale

for the picture in San Francisco in 1904 - they had one of the old cable cars there to use in some of the scenes - they had brought it down from San Francisco to me. Jack gave me a very interesting tour - showed me the property store house - all kinds of furniture & props to use in pictures - also the house of miniature. The studio or rather lot is just like a little city in itself with streets & all. Left P.K.O. about 12:00 - drove down Sunset Blvd. to Vine & had lunch at Harry Carpenters Diner. I tried to get some stiff color but they don't have them in L.A. I guess. About 1:00 we drove out Sunset Blvd. & tried to locate a guide - stopped at a couple of places but there was no one available. Drove on & located a place where they were selling maps for \$1.00 of Hollywood & Beverly Hills showing where the movie people lived. A young fellow who was there started telling me how best to use the map so I asked him how he would like to earn a couple of dollars by going with me as a guide - he took me up on it & we started out - his name was Floyd Jack Allen & what a job he turned out to be - had to use the map all the time & didn't even

know how to use it. We could have done much
 better with out him. He did know the right
 clubs as he had worked in several of them &
 also the hotels. Saw several of the homes of
 actresses or actors, ~~the~~ among them were Samuel
 Goldwin, Leslie Howard, Joan Crawford, Irene
 Dunn, Shirley Temple, Adolphe Menjou & others.
 However the more popular & more important
 they are the more the places are hid behind
 shrubbery. Beverly Hills sure is a beautiful place,
 some of the most beautiful homes I had ever
 seen. Saw Beverly Hills Hotel & Belaire Hotel,
 Jack took us in the Belaire - & I got a
 couple of pictures. He sure was a fizzle as
 a guide - we finally let him take a bus
 back to town about 3:30 - I gave him \$3.00 to
 cover my bargain & to get him back into town.
 We were so disgusted by them we decided
 to leave Los Angeles & head north for Santa
 Barbara. Drove up the coast road - it was
 quite a drive - didn't get up to the Santa
 Barbara Mission until about 6:15 - it was
 really too late for pictures but I took a
 couple anyway. Located a very nice place
 to stay - Reed's Court just on the edge of
 Santa Barbara - had two rooms & a bath

on the second floor - first time we had stayed on anything but the first floor. After checking in about 7:30 - we drove down town & ate at a well eating place, EATON'S. Then window shopped for awhile. Santa Barbara is a very modern little town - some very nice stores. Got talking with a man at a men's store about his fancy hand painted ties & learned that he sells ties to Compton Dennis in Binghamton & that he knew the manager of the Sears store in Binghamton - Frank Williams was his name but he couldn't think of the manager name. Got back to our room about 9:30 - I wrote some of these notes & also some cards. To-bed 11:30.

6/14/47 SATURDAY:

Very hazy morning in Santa Barbara. Up at 6:30 - checked out of Lead Court about 7:30 & were on our way for San Francisco. Took route #1 up the coast - much of it pretty rugged driving - curving road along mountain side & up and down hill most of the way. It was also foggy in places - the fog was coming in off the ocean & going up the mountain side - it sure looked unusual. Mary,

Mother & I got discussing our experience of yesterday
 & all felt disappointed & sorry we hadn't
 stayed in L.A. for another night & looked
 around some more. We really missed a lot
 of things we would like to have seen. —
 It was a very interesting trip up the coast,
 but too foggy to take many pictures. I
 did stop & take a couple. Stopped at the
 Home of Split Pea Soup, Anderson's Valley
 Restaurant in BUELLTON — a very nice place
 to eat. I mailed my last movie film at
 the Post Office in Buellton. It was an
 unusual drive up the coast — drove on
 to Monterey for lunch — ate at Angelo's fish
 house out on the fishing wharf. Had our first
 real sea food dinner — tried some PIZZA with
 a tomato slice, for the first time. We
 looked around town for awhile — I stopped
 for some movie film & finally located some —
 got 2 films \$3.85 each, had inquired about a
 dozen places along the way the last 2 days
 & couldn't locate any — felt lucky to get
 them. I sensed we had seen enough of
 the Beach Road so we took Route #101
 from Monterey on up to San Francisco.
 Had to drive about 20 miles north of

Monterey to hit Route #101. It was shorter
 that way & it also took us back thru San
 Jose where I wanted to get a couple of pictures
 I had missed. At Gilroy we started doubl-
 ing back again on road we had hit before.
 Stopped & got a picture of irrigation in a
 walnut orchard. Mary drove thru San Jose
 & I took a picture of the Hotel De Anza where
 I had spoken to the Kiwanis Club - also a
 picture of the palm tree on main street.
 It was after 6:00 when we left San Jose -
 stopped just outside & called Rumwell's in
 Oakland - talked with Mrs. Rumwell - Reg.
 had gone to Sacramento & wasn't due back
 until to-morrow so I said I would call to-
 morrow noon. We took the Bay Shore Highway
 part way from San Jose to San Francisco
 but changed over to old Route #101, the King's
 Highway as it has more spots on it.
 Stopped & got a picture of Dinah's Shack where
 Roy took us for dinner. We started looking
 for a place to stop about 7:00 but we had
 left it too late - inquired a dozen or more
 places as we drove on in to-ward San
 Francisco, but they were all filled. We
 did find one room but it wasn't nice. We

finally got into the city limits of San Francisco
 & still no place - all hotels filled up & there
 weren't many. Decided to call a hotel - called
 one recommended by Duncan Hiner - they were
 filled but recommended The Cartwright Hotel - I
 called there & was able to get rooms. It was
 then after 8:15 - took us over a half hour
 to drive on down town & locate the hotel.
 There was a lot of traffic - Saturday night
 in a big city like San Francisco, it sure was
 a bad time to get located in a hotel. Had
 some difficulty getting the car unloaded - there
 was a wedding party about to leave the hotel
 so a taxi had the only parking place in front
 of the hotel tied up - so I had to stop right
 on the trolley tracks to unload. Boy! I sure
 wouldn't ^{want to} do that every night. Put the car
 in a garage for the night. Found the man
 at the desk, Mr. Joe Brown, very congenial -
 he is a brother Lion. We found the hotel
 very comfortable have two rooms - ~~room~~ a
 single room on the 2nd. floor for \$3.00 & Mary &
 I a nice double room on the 6th. floor for
 \$4.00. That is really cheaper than we have
 to pay at a hotel. However - I don't think
 Mother liked the hotel idea - but it was

all we could do under the circumstance. As soon as we got checked in I called Don Ash, bided him along awhile & was really surprised that he finally recognized my voice - he seemed so pleased that I called - wanted me to stop over in the morning & let him show us around town. I took him up on his offer & arranged to meet him at 9:30, he told me just how to get out to his house. - Mary, Potter & I went out to get a taxi to ride & then to see some of the town - The cable cars run up & down the street right at the corner of our hotel - I was quite amazed at how they started up & down the hill. Talked Potter & Mary into taking a ride with me. We stood up in the back for awhile & it sure looked ~~the~~ hazardous looking down those steep hills. I was almost surprised that the city would permit anything like that to operate. Their safety record must be better than you would expect. We got a front seat on the car for awhile & had a good look at the street - I was much interested in how the cable had runing the car operator

it - he used only two long levers - one to
 grip the cable & release it & the other to apply
 the brakes on the truck. The other attendant on
 the car had to apply brakes on the rear truck
 for going down grade. It sure seemed like a
 very primitive set-up. We were quite sur-
 prised to find it so cold in San Francisco -
 it got so cold we couldn't stay out in front
 on the cable car & had to ^{go} inside. We
 made the whole loop ^{up POWELL & down BUSH ST.} on the cable car -
 had quite a ride. I was quite surprised ^{to learn} just
 how the damn thing works. We went by
 the power house & the operator pointed out
 how there is one continuous cable that runs
 around the whole loop & goes into the power
 house where it turns a large drive wheel
 which is powered by a large electric motor. It
 gets all its power for that one source. It
 sure seems funny to hear the cable running
 under the surface of the street all the time.
 Looked around town some - it was a very busy
 place - I felt a bit out of place wearing my
 sport shoes - they don't wear them out here in
 San Francisco. Got back to hotel about 10:30 - wrote
 some cards - Mary & I both lamented the fact we missed
 so much in Los Angeles - but you can't see everything. ^{To bed.} 11:30.

2/15/47 SUNDAY:

A beautiful day in San Francisco - got up about 6:30 - Mother, Mary & I went down to breakfast about 7:30 - ate at the little restaurant on the corner. I had all my cameras with me & after eating we walked up two blocks to the garage. I got the car out & we drove out to Don Ash's home. I didn't know just how far it was - we got out there at 46th St. about 9:00 - a whole half hour early as I had told Don I would be out there about 9:30. He was out front wiping off his car. The Ashs live in a very nice home - a typical California & San Francisco home - all built to - gether in a row. Don seemed so pleased to see us. We all went in and met the folks - I was surprised to learn Don's entire family live to - gether in the one home. Met Don's Mother & Father, his two brothers, his wife & her sister. Don's one brother had married his wife's sister - so there are three married couples & his sister all living to - gether, quite a home full. Don showed me his dark room he is building - he took up photography a year ago & is now enjoying his new hobby so he is now even taking a course at the

college in photography. Don looked much thinner, but according to Mary, his wife, he was much better than he was a year ago. Mary said she had lost a hundred pounds - 'she still looked plenty plump' - but I remembered she used to be so fat she was almost a freak. We had a nice chat with the folks & since they hadn't had breakfast Mother, Mary & I drove on over to the Cliff House which was only a few blocks from their home. Don & Mary walked over there & met us. I got some movies of the seals on Seal Rock, used the telephoto lens to get some close-ups. Boy what a swell place to get pictures & when Don came down he helped me pick out the right spots to get just the right angle. Don had seen the place before & knew just where to get the best pictures. Don had his $2\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$ Speed Graphic camera with him with his big gazzer bag so we really looked ~~like~~ like a couple of photographers. We walked up top of the hill to get a good picture of Cliff House & Seal Rock. Mary, Mother & Mary Ash spent some time in the World's Largest Gift Shop which is a part of the Cliff House - It sure was a swell place to buy souvenirs. Don & Mary Ash rode with us & directed us to

the high lights of San Francisco - drove thru
 part of Golden Gate Park - a beautiful park
 52 blocks long & 4 blocks wide - stopped to see
 the Japanese Garden in the Park. Drove over
 Golden Gate Bridge & back just to see it & to
 say we had driven over it. It really didn't
 seem much bigger than Geo. Washington Bridge
 back East - I really think they make too much
 to do about it - of course it is the largest
 single span suspension bridge. Stopped down
 along the water front & Don showed us the
 headquarters of his sea scouts - Don is very
 active in scouting & has several ships of sea
 scouts - he is a commissioner of sea scouts. I
 called Remwell from the Sea Scout Office
 & learned Remwell hadn't gotten home yet. We
 stopped at the Fisherman's Wharf & all had a
 sea food dinner at the famous
 restaurant. I treated Don & Mary to dinner -
 we all had crab Louis salad - we ate right
 out on the pier among all the fish - plenty
 of atmosphere - however much of it had to be
 sensed by your nose. We all enjoyed the dinner
 very much. After eating we drove up
 then down to the Hotel York Hotel &
 went up to see the view from "The

"Top of The Mark". It's really in a marvelous view of
 San Francisco - Don & I took some pictures.
 Don had me stop at the International Settlement
 & we all got out & walked thru part of it - the
 only part of San Francisco that is still reminiscent
 of the Early Barbary Coast. Drove thru the China
 Town of San Francisco - the largest China town
 outside of China itself. We then stopped down
 town where they turn the cable car around on
 the famous turn table. I got some movie of
 them pushing the car around. Then got some
 movie of a cable car going up one of the steep
 streets also Mary driving the car up the street.
 Another screw had come out of my tripod which
 just about put it out of commission - Don thought
 he could fix it so we stopped around to the
 little repair shop that the IBM maintains at
 the Bank of America where they have an in-
 stallation of 35 proof machines - Don showed me
 the installation which is the largest one we had.
 While Don was fixing the tripod I called
 Rumwell's & got Rumney - he arranged to meet
 Mary & I at the Hotel about 6:30. Drove
 Don & Mary out to their house - we stopped
 around to see the monument donated to the
 American soldiers of the First World War by the

French Government. We sure appreciated Don & Mary taking their day to show us around - they sure were ideal guides. Drove back down town & put the car in the garage - got back to the hotel about 6:00 - hurried around & got cleaned up some. Ramsey called from the lobby about 6:30 - Mary & I went down & met her & her wife Virginia - we had never met Virginia before. Ramsey drove us up to the Mark Hopkins in his Cadillac & we went up to the Top of the Mark. Had a couple of drinks & sat next to one of the big windows where we could look out over all of San Francisco - it sure was a beautiful sight seeing the lights come on all over the city. Enjoyed talking with Ramsey & Virginia - they sure are a swell couple. We didn't stay late as Ramsey & Virginia had left their 3 boys with her mother & they had to get home. Drove Mary & I back to the Hotel about 8:30. Mary called Norton & she took a walk with us around a few blocks to window shop. Returned to our room about 9:30 & I did a lot of writing. We sure had a full day in San Francisco - one I shall always remember. It is quite different when with its steep streets & cable cars. To bed 11:15.

Oh yes! We reached the 5000 mile mark on the speedometer of the car to-day - that is 5000 miles since we left home - boy, that sure is some trip. It is turning out to be more of a trip than any of us had imagined.

6/16/47 MONDAY:

A hazy morning in San Francisco - got up at 6:30 - Mother, Mary & I went out for bk. After bk. they took a walk, I got the car out of the garage - had it washed last night at the garage - they charged \$2.00 & put several more scratches on the car. I've given up trying to keep the car looking like new. Drove over to the Buick Garage - a huge place - there were 16 cars lined up 4 deep for service jobs. Luckily there was only one gear job ahead of me so I didn't have much of a wait. While they were servicing the car I took my movie camera & got a movie of the unique store & got traffic signals they use in San Francisco. Had about an hour wait at the garage - got out about 9:30 but spent about a half hour getting some pictures of the cable cars & steep streets which I had missed yesterday. Got back to the store about 10:15 - checked out & got

all packed in the car & then drove down to
 the IBM Office - met Harold Friesley one of
 the salesmen in E.W. Div. also saw Paul Wells
 who was at Endicott to leave ITR. They showed
 us all thru the Office. Lutter who is the
 IBM Manager was on vacation so we didn't
 get to meet him. They have a nice Office -
 I think bigger than Los Angeles however Los
 Angeles is supposed to be the largest Office on
 the West Coast. Left the Office about 11:15
 & drove across the Bay Bridge to Oakland -
 The Bay Bridge is really a big bridge - very
 long. We located the IBM Office & went
 in to see Rummy - he showed us around the
 Office & we met a couple of the fellows - it is
 a nice Office. Rummy got out his maps &
 gave us some tips on our trip North to
 Washington. Mary took a picture of me with
 Rummy - I had him come out to the car &
 meet Mary. He just won't get out & come
 in any place. It was just about 12:00
 when we left Oakland - drove on up around
 the Bay & took the San Rafael ferry over
 the Bay at Richmond to San Quentin -
 Saw the San Quentin ^{state} penitentiary, Drove in
 to the gate, was going to take a picture

but the guard stopped me, said no close-up pictures of the prison were allowed. We just looked in but didn't bother going in - drove back & got a picture from a distance. Stopped in San Rafael for lunch - the place Duncan Hines recommended was closed on Monday so we ate at a very good Italian Restaurant but couldn't get fish as we had hoped. I tried some Italian Ravioli & Spaghetti - didn't like the Ravioli. We drove right along this afternoon trying to reach Benton which Lummell had advised us to stay over night. Couldn't make good time due to the very crooked road. We were a bit disappointed in the Redwood Highway - we had all thought it would be a beautiful wide straight road. We stopped along the way about 6:00 & decided to drive in the Howard Ranch when the great racing horse Sea Biscuit was raised. We met a man coming out the lane & he told us the Ranch was closed after 6:00 so we didn't drive in. Mother had read in the paper that Sea Biscuit had died just a few weeks ago so we wouldn't have seen him anyway. The man told us Sea Biscuit was 14 yrs. old & had died of heart trouble. - We got into some of the

Redwoods about run down - Came to the World Famous Home Tree & although it was too dark to take pictures I did take a couple. We drove on about 5 miles & found a lovely double cabin - Reynolds' Redwood Hide-a-way Cabin. It was getting pretty late - about 7:30 & we were damn glad to find such a nice place. After checking in we went over to the lunch room for some supper - no town near by - everything country style but very good. Bought some souvenirs & cards. - The lady had started a fire in Mother's room & it really felt good when we got back to the cabin. We sure had a lovely setting - right in a grove of huge redwood trees. They had a picture of our cabin on a postcard - I bought one & sent it to Dad. Wrote some cards - had to light the gas hot water heater to heat water for our shower. Did some writing up these notes & To-bed 11:00.

6/17/47 TUESDAY:

A cloudy day in Northern California - got up about 6:30 - left Reynolds' about 7:30 & decided to drive back about 5 miles

To the World Famous House Tree to get some pictures.
 Then stopped back to Reynolds for bk. & mailed
 my 7th. movie film. It was after 8:30 by the
 time we got under way & we had planned
 to get an early start. It was a beautiful
 drive up thru all the Redwood Trees - made
 a lot of stops - first at the well known
 Richardson's Grove of big trees. I was disappoint-
 ed in the light - couldn't take any color
 pictures & had to have the camera almost
 wide open $\frac{1}{40} + 3.2 + 4.5$ to get black &
 white pictures. It was a bit hazy & even
 when the sun did show thru not much
 of the light got down to the bottom of the
 large redwoods. They are over 3 hundred feet
 high & range from 3' in Dia. to 21'.
 You just have to see them to believe it.
 Mother & Mary got some souvenirs - stopped
 to see the Founden Tree - worlds tallest
 tree, 364 ft. high. Took two pictures of it
 to get it all. - Stopped at a little place
 called Crab Beach above Eureka for lunch.
 I had another crab Louis salad & bought some
 more souvenirs at Stearns Tree Museum.
 Also stopped at the much advertised 'Tree
 of Mystery' on the Redwood Highway. It

was terribly commercialized - 50¢ to walk
 up a trail to see some of the oddities of
 the Redwood Trees. Mother & Mary decided
 not to go there but I went to get some
 pictures. - It was well worth the 50¢ -
 saw a redwood tree 10' in dia. growing over
 a fallen redwood log over 3' in diameter.
 This is in Sigley's Belaeite or Yot. The
 log must have laid there nearly 3000 years
 & is still round. - Saw the Cathedral
 of Trees & the Upside down Tree. They had
 little speakers concealed along the trail at
 each point of interest thru which you
 could listen to a short lecture describing
 the thing you saw. Mother & Mary thought
 I got gipped but I didn't. We certainly
 didn't make good time to-day - the road
 was too windy - at Crescent City we took
 Route #199 inland & over the Cascade Range
 of Mountains - it was all very mountainous
 roads & we couldn't make any time - had
 to slow down to 20 mi./hr. to get around some
 of the turns. We thought we would never
 get out of California - It was about 5:30
 when we finally hit the Oregon State line &
 I had expected to hit Crater Lake by the

middle of the afternoon. Drove on to make as far as we could toward Crater Lake before turning in. At the little town of Goldhill we took route #34 across to hit Route #62 to Crater Lake. Tried to locate a hotel about 8:00 - it was getting dark & we were in a rather desolate section. Found a place in the little town of Trail but it wasn't what we wanted - but finally located a very nice place, "Riffles on the Rogue" right along the Rogue River - a great fishing spot. In fact the cabin we had was a regular honeymooning cabin used by parties to stay over the weekend & do some fishing - had a very nice little kitchen, bath, large bed room & a sleeping room on the porch. As soon as we got checked in we drove back about $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles to the River Rogue Inn, the only place in the vicinity to eat. Got back to the cabins about 9:15 - Mother & Mary were still talking about the 60¢ hamburger we got for supper. We were determined to get to bed early as we had a big day to-morrow to make Aberdeen & we wanted to get an early start. However by the time we got our cards written & shower

it was almost 11:00. Mary & I slept on the porch - it was a bit cool but we didn't mind it. I like to hear the water ripple in the river. It sure was a grand spot. To-bed 11:15.

6/18/47 WEDNESDAY:

A beautiful day in Oregon - got up at 5:30 & checked out of our cabin at the "Riffles on the Rogue" by 6:15 - stopped & took a picture of the entrance - the man & women who ran the place came out & wished us well on the trip. We stopped at a little restaurant in Prospect a small town about 15 miles from where we stopped for breakfast. Drove in the Western Entrance to Crater Lake Park & were up on the edge of Crater Lake by about 8:30. There was quite a lot of snow along the road on the way up but we were really surprised to find snow banks 15' high up by the Lake. The Lake which is rated as one of the three most beautiful spots in the world came up to our every expectation. It was a beautiful bright sunny morning & the Lake & the re-

sections of the snow capped ridges and it was
 gorgeous. I sure had a picnic taking pictures.
 Got a picture of Mother & Mary having a snow
 ball fight in front of the 15' snow bank.
 It sure was an interesting spot & one of the
 high lights of our trip. Drove out of the
 park thru the Eastern Entrance - had some
 bad road to drive over for a few miles. Hit
 route #97 & had a well road all the way
 in to Bend - I drove 75 & even 80 a lot
 of the time - Mother & Mary both slept -
 got into Bend about 11:15 & decided to have
 lunch at a place recommended by Duncan
 Hines, The Pine Tavern - had some more
 Crab Louis Salad. We sure are getting our
 fill of Crab Meat on this trip. I noticed a
 lot of fellows coming in the Restaurant & in-
 quired of the waitress & learned that it was
 the Jr. C. of C meeting. I went in & introduced
 myself - met their President Howard Chase -
 also met several of the fellows. They wanted
 me to stay & tell them about the convention
 at Long Beach but I explained I was in
 a hurry & had already eaten lunch. Mother &
 Mary did some shopping in the 5 & 10 cent store.
 Mary helped me with the driving this afternoon -

had beautiful weather & gorgeous scenery all
 the way. Oregon is so nice & green compared
 with California. It was really a nice drive
 up Route 97-50 & 23 to The Falls on
 the Columbia River. We had snow capped
 mountains to view most of the time -
 the Three Sister Peaks & Mount Hood.
 We were a bit disappointed in the Columbia
 River Highway - I guess we expected too
 much - it really isn't nice until you
 get down near Portland - & it went
 down to Bonnyville & the Bonnyville
 Dam - we made several stops at
 Look Out or View Point along the way
 & took some pictures - also the Bridge
 of the Gorge & Bonnyville Dam - and
 several falls - it was getting too dark
 for pictures by the time we got in near
 Portland - got there about 7:00 & called
 Dorothy & Jack - they had been looking
 for us this afternoon - arranged with
 Jack to meet me at the bridge coming
 into Alderden at 11:30 - the man at
 the gas station said it was a 4 hr. drive.
 Looked up a place to stay in Duncan
 Shiner Book - but they were all on the

wrong side of town - so we gave up & stopped
 at a little place for fish & chips just before
 leaving Portland - we had hoped to get some
 Salmon in as much as we were in the
 Salmon Country - but as usual they didn't
 serve it in the restaurant we went in. It
 was a beautiful drive over thru Vancouver &
 up thru Washington but it was dark most
 of our trip into Aberdeen - 143 miles from
 Portland - We came up thru Centralia &
 drove right along to maintain our schedule of
 11:30 - Mary helped me some with the
 driving. We had clocked off 6236 miles
 when we hit Aberdeen - Dorothy &
 Jack were on the edge of town to meet us &
 we were there right at 11:30. It sure
 was good to see them - after we had greet-
 ed them we followed them on in to their
 home. It was good they had met us for it
 was a different place to reach. I was quite
 surprised to find they have a large dance
 hall or meeting room as a part of their home.
 It had been build as headquarters for the
 Campfire Girls & Dorothy & Jack are now
 renting it for another organization who had
 taken it over & only hold about 2 meetings a

a year in the place. Mrs. Carey, Dorothy's mother came over & we met her - she seems very jolly & a very pleasant lady. Dorothy had fixed some sandwiches & coffee for us so we all sat around and talked about the trip. Dorothy finally produced the mail which she had received & was holding for us - she had said there was a telegram that had come today for me & I thought it was probably from Art Braund of the Seattle Office telling me about the reservations for the trip to Victoria. I sure was surprised & shocked when I opened it to find it was from Ray Jarvis & found that it read "MR. C.F.A. KIRK DIED MONDAY - DOCTOR ORTON WANTS YOU TO CALL HIM IN NEW YORK" Gee! That sure was a shock - Mr. Kirk must have died in Europe. Didn't have any idea what Orton wanted though I might later have to fly home or perhaps attend some type of service in Seattle while on here. Decided to call Orton at 5:30 or 9:30 N.Y.C. time tomorrow morning. Jack started a fire in the big fire place in their living room & we all

sat around & chatted until after 2:30. It was about 2:40 when we finally said our love good - night & actually turned in. Jack & Dorothy went over to stay with Mrs. Carey - just 4 doors down the street, & turned their home over to Mottin, Mary & me which I thought was damn nice of them. To bed 2:40 - can't quite imagine that Mrs. Kirk is dead. I sure feel sorry for her family.

6/19/47 THURSDAY:

A beautiful day in Aberdeen - I was awoken about 5:30 by the telephone ringing - dashed down stairs & the call - The operator had Doctor Titon on the phone from New York City. Dwayne started right in on the subject of job training or education for the Longbeach people & the use of job breakdown, wanted to know why we couldn't use Bruce Buckler in the program. I knew Bruce had given Dwayne a story that might make it look as though we were not giving proper consideration to using breakdown on every job. I explained to Dwayne that my plan was to have Mr. Almon give them all

J.I.T. first & then have Bruce help them in following them on the breakdown — I'm so damn mad at Bruce I could kick his teeth out for he is just aggravating the situation with Otton. I told Dwayne our experience during the war had proven that the job breakdown were impractical except for certain high repetitive jobs where there was a high turnover of employees or a lot of new employees to be trained on one job. Dwayne had been talking with Cy & Ed Elvoin & Cy had given him an entirely different indication of interest than he had Mac or me. I believe I satisfied ^{Dwayne} with the fact that we do intend to use Buchler in our program. Otton also brought up the matter of the Luncheon which was held at Forsythearie for the first graduate from the Apprentice program.

I didn't even know they had planned to have ~~the~~ a luncheon — apparently when Mac got down there they had decided to have a little informal get-together to honor the boy. Dwayne was really disturbed that he hadn't been invited — I explained that Dave had apparently thought it not an important enough occasion to bother him — but Dwayne said he was the one to decide that &

That he should have been asked. I told him that
 had I been home ^{at} ^{the} time he would have been.
 The third subject was that of Charlie Daley in
 the legal dept. at W.H.Q. He is still concerned
 as to whether, under the Wage & Hour Law we
 can continue to offer some of the courses we had
 offered in our General Education Program. Duayne
 was calling Jarvis & stopped in to W.H.Q. next
 Monday to discuss the whole situation & he want-
 ed to get my ideas on it. He discussed the
 matter to some length & I became very
 conscious of the cost of the long coast to
 coast telephone conversation. - I was sur-
 prised that Duayne didn't even bring up the
 matter of Kirk's death - I finally mentioned
 the one I had received from Jarvis & then
 he said that was really the reason he had
 asked me to call - & that the other matters
 were just incidental & that he didn't mean
 to bother me or interrupt my vacation with a
 lot of business. Duayne said the first
 report they had received from France was
 that Mr. Kirk had had an attack of acute
 indigestion which was the cause of his death -
 he explained that acute indigestion could
 cause the heart to be affected which would

in turn came death. Mrs. Kirk had agreed to have an autopsy performed to determine more exactly the cause of death & so far they hadn't received any word of the results of the autopsy. According to present plans they, the IBM Party in Europe, were sailing for the States on June 25th & that the funeral would be held at Endicott on either July 1st or 2nd. I asked Dwayne whether I should change my plans & come on home earlier & he said I shouldn't. He felt sure the funeral wouldn't be earlier than July 1st & if come as planned to be home June 30th. I asked Dwayne about sending a cable to Mrs. Kirk & he advised my doing it - said they were all doing it at W.H.Q. - Boy! What a telephone call - I bet we talked for nearly a half hour - I'm sure glad I reversed the change. I was too wide awake after the excitement of the coast to coast telephone conversation to go back to sleep but I laid down for awhile & did get a short nap. Dorothy & Jack came over about 8:30 and got us some breakfast. I called Art Braumbach at our Seattle Office & canceled our reservations for the boat trip to Victoria. Art explained he was unable to

get space for our car so I don't remember we
 would wanted to go anyway. Dorey & Jack suggested
 we drive up around Olympic National Park & take
 a ferry across so I gave up on original plans.
 Art didn't say anything about Mr. Kirk dying &
 since Dwight had said the impression he had
 given me was confidential I didn't mention it. I
 was wondering whether the sales office had been
 notified or yet - I should think he would have
 mentioned it. Jack called a paper & pulp
 mill & also the Aberdeen Plywood Mill and
 made reservation for us to go there. Dorey's
 sister Bonnie & her husband then Artich stopped
 over this morning. Bonnie is expecting a baby in a
 month or so. About 10:30 we left for the Paper
 & Pulp Mill - Jack, Nita, Mary & I went -
 we had a guide who took us all thru the
 place & we saw the entire process of
 making pulp from the large fir logs & then
 converting it into paper. It was most
 interesting. The power had gone off & they were
 having some trouble so we didn't see the big
 paper machine actually in operation. One of the
 things which fascinated me most was the grinding of
 the bark from the logs with water under
 very high pressure, 1200 lbs. \square ". The question

site in a plane glass bottle to note down from
 the chips & bark that float all over the place.
 He said it was possible to cut a 3' log right
 in half by leaving the stream of water on it long
 enough - he demonstrated by allowing it to cut half
 way thru one log. It was a rather hazardous trip
 especially for Moffat as we had to hop over
 cable & shoots where the logs were propelled &
 much of the floor was wet - had to climb up &
 down steps & along cat walks to get where we
 could see the operations. The grinding mill was
 interesting too - it will cut a log as big as a persons
 body into small chips just like putting corn thru a
 silage cutter. On the way out Jack introduced
 me to Wp. Wood their Engineer - Jack had
 tried to get a job in the Engineering Dept. but
 they wanted graduate engineers - Jack did work
 for a few months in the pulp mill operating one
 of the big machines. It was about 12:00 when
 we got out of the Paper & Pulp Mill - drove on
 over to the Plywood Mill but they were
 just leaving for lunch so we decided to
 come back later - Jack took us down town -
 I let him drive the Buick - we stopped at
 the Stubby Lobby & I got 50' feet of 35 m.m.
 PLUS X film - couldn't get the 27½' length.

Also stopped in a photo processing place & got some
 empty canisters - 6 of them - they charged me 10¢/each.
 Jack drove me up on the Bel-air Hill to show
 me a good view of the city. It was a very
 nice morning & I took a couple of pictures. Came
 back to the home about 1:00 - Dorothy had
 lunch about ready for me - a well laid -
 she was in a good cook. Jack helped me & I
 loaded a couple of film in the bathroom so I
 would have film to take some pictures this
 afternoon. About 2:30 Jack drove me down to
 the Aberdeen Plywood Mill - Mr. & Mrs. &
 I went there with Jack. A Mr. Vancian,
 Asst. Mgr. & Sales Mgr. for the Mill took me
 on a generally conducted tour of the entire plant.
 It was very interesting - I even got a couple of
 pictures. He explained the whole process to me.
 He was all quite amazed with the printing opera-
 tion - it was interesting to see the
 large logs being peeled off in one huge
 strip about 1/8" in thickness or even less. After
 leaving the Mill Jack drove around to the Betty
 Lobby Shop & we got the printer & man
 for the night. After we got home Jack took me
 over to Mr. Conroy & showed me the job he
 had done painting the house & building the

from work - he even cut back the even of the house to make it look more modern. Dorothy had dinner for us about 7:30 - another well-meat - she sure knew how to give just the right twist on things. After dinner Jack & I got all set-up for the picture show in the large hall it was an ideal place to show ~~movie~~ ^{the} movies. Dorothy had her Aunt & Uncle, ^{#3} J.O. Carey, Stan & Bonnie & her mother over to see the pictures. Her Brother Jim & his wife couldn't come. I had seven films which I had brought with me - they all seemed to enjoy them so much - I was glad I had brought them. Dorothy fixed some coffee & cake afterwards & we all sat around the big fireplace in the living room & talked. Had a very enjoyable evening. We talked until after 12:00. The folks left about 12:15 & we all went to bed - Oh yes! This afternoon we stopped by the Western Union Office & I sent a cable to Mrs. Kirk at the Continental Hotel, Paris, France expressing our condolence - "You have our deepest & most heartfelt sympathy in your bereavement" - It cost \$1.84 which was less than I expected, however I sent it delayed cable which is less than a regular fast cable - however the operator said it

would be received to-morrow. — Jack also took us out to see the location for the Dive-in Stand ^{JACK'S SNACK} that he & Dorothy are building. The carpenter was at work on it & had just the form for the foundation about built. I was surprised to find that don't dig a trench for the foundation — much of Aberdeen is filled in over the bay & you hit water as soon as you start digging down a couple of feet. Jack expects to have the place ready for business by October. He is giving up his job at the city engineering dept. in a few weeks & is going to help the carpenter finish the job.

6/20/47 FRIDAY:

A beautiful day in Aberdeen — got up at 6:00 — Dor & Jack came over & got breakfast about 6:45 — we had just toast & coffee so we could make an early start for the beach. Decided to drive two cars — Jack & Dorothy drove their Ford & Mrs. Carg rode with us. Stopped by & picked up a couple of clam shovels — clam guns as Jack calls them. It was about 20 miles down to Phipps Beach — we were down there by about 8:00 — just at low tide. We

sure but it just right. It was the lowest
 tide in 16 years & the lower the tide the
 more ideal in the condition for clamming. We
 were sure lucky — it was a bit foggy at
 the beach at first & it even rained just
 a little but the sun came out & was
 really swell. Everyone was so excited about
 getting clams & they were showing in the
 sand all over the place. We sure struck it
 rich — I took a few movies & some stills &
 then went right to work with Jack & the
 rest of them. Only had two shovels so
 Jack & I did the digging & the rest of them
 spotted them for us & carried the clam
 bags. I never in all my life saw such
 big clams as the razor back clams they
 have out here — why some of them were well
 over 6" long. It sure was fun to dig a
 hole in the sand & then just you are
 down in the wet sand, feel around for the
 clam & when you locate him just pull it out.
 And how they would hang on to the wet
 sand with their digger — it was amazing to
 me how they can dig their way down
 into the sand — if you don't work fast
 you just don't get them. I sure got a

pick out of our clam digging spree - it
 took us only about an hour to get our
 limit - you are allowed 3 doz. apiece, each
 one is supposed to dig their own but there is
 no check on that, and you are not allowed to
 take any under 3" long. We didn't make too
 close a check on the number we got but this
 time it was a bit over our limit - some
 counting everyone in our party & there was 6 or
 18 doz. - I soon caught on to how to
 dig them without breaking the shell - I broke
 some of them at first getting them out of
 the sand. After we left the Beach - we
 stopped along the road & had some coffee &
 sandwiches that Mrs. Carey had fixed for us.
 The man started good for us and had a
 without getting those clams - I actually got
 tired & so did Johnnie. We drove on
 around the Bay to the Quinalt Indian
 Reservation & went out to the Fishing
 Village. Stopped at the gas station house -
 Peter, one of the Indians, & asked us to
 look him up. We found Peter buying in
 some nice big Salmon in his boat from
 the nets. We bought 16 of the big
 Salmon for \$1.50 each. Mrs. Carey said

That was a good price so Mary bought 5 of
 the 16. They weighed about 4 to 5 lbs. &
 Quinalti Salmon is supposed to be the
 most choice salmon since they are not as
 large as some of the salmon. According to
 Mrs. Cargy it is too expensive for the cannery
 to can so you can't buy it on the market.
 I don't wonder it is expensive when they get
 \$1.50 for each fish - we paid Pete dam near
 \$25.00 for a bag full of fish & all he did was
 go out to his net & bring them in to shore.
 We asked him what he was going to do with
 his money & he said "Oh throw it away"
 & that is just what they do with it - said
 he had made \$8,000.00 so far this year.
 We got home about 12:15 & went right
 to work on cleaning the salmon & clams.
 Oh! What a job that was. Jack cleaned the
 fish & the rest of us worked on the Clams.
 They sure are a men to clean. I got some
 pictures of the operation. A Mr. & Mrs. Bigelow
 & Mr. & Mrs. Shaw neighbors of the Cargy
 stopped in & we met them. Dorothy
 had lunch for us about 2:15 - Jack had
 gotten a couple of crabs so we had crab on -
 the - rough, or in other words in the shell.

We were all getting our sea-food & doing it!
 I had called the Birch place for an appointment
 to get my car greased - They called about 3:15
 & I drove right down - took back the magnets &
 screen for Johnnie to the Holly Lobby - they
 were charge enough rental \$1.25 just for me ad-
 ding & it is only \$50. back home. - I stayed
 with the car at the garage - had them pull
 one front wheel to look at the brake lining as
 it was squeaking some - I was glad to find
 that the brake lining was done - it was
 just that they had become glazed on the hub.
 They saved it down & repeated the lining.
 I also had the work done to eliminate the
 squeak it got on rough road. Did some shopping
 & got back to Dad & Jack about 5:30 -
 went over to Mrs. Carey's where the folks were
 all busy cleaning clams & packing salmon.
 I jumped in with them on the clams - boy!
 What a job in a job - you had to get
 them there there or four processes before they
 are clean & ready to be canned. The red
 salmon was tasted good. We were had a
 kitchen full, Bonnie, then, Jack, Dorothy,
 Mrs. Carey, Myrtle, Mary & I. Mrs. Carey
 left to go over to Dorothy's to fix clams

for our dinner. We all went over to Jack & Dorothy's for dinner - fried clams & more fried clams - and were they good! Mrs. Carey fried 11 big pans of clams - what a job! I really feel sorry for her - in fact all the folks really put in a busy day for us. We were quite surprised to get so much canned - about 17 quarts of salmon & 13 quarts of clams. After dinner which was about 9:30 I went back with Mrs. Carey & ground all the clams - it sure looked good to see all that clam meat going thru the meat chopper. Had a nice chat with Mrs. Carey - she had been much impressed with Mother V. & I gathered she thought we were all even nicer than she had imagined. Returned to Dor & Jack about 10:30 & wrote some of these notes - the folks went on to bed - I turned in about 11:15, really tired after a busy day - a really grand day.

6/21/47 SATURDAY:

A hazy morning in Aberdeen but it cleared off & was a beautiful day. Dorothy, Jack & Mrs. Carey came over about 6:15 - I

got up about 5:30 & we were all set to
 leave on our trip to Victoria by 6:45.
 We all went in the Buick - ~~one of us~~
 made just a load. Didn't bother with any
 breakfast so we could get an early start.
 Drove about 30 miles & then stopped at the
 Quinault Hotel on Quinault Lake for break-
 fast. They didn't have their coffee shop open
 so we went in the dining room & after we
 got all our order in for coffee & toast learned
 they had only a \$1.00 bk. & charged a dollar no
 matter what you got - when I heard that I
 soon changed my mind about eating there. We
 all got up & left - had some fun talking about
 the dollar cup of coffee we came near drinking.
 Drove on a short distance & stopped at a
 little restaurant along the road. Jack had his
 camera with him & we both took pictures along
 the way. Ran into quite a little construction
 on the road & couldn't make good time. I
 let Jack drive part of the way. Stopped
 at Destruction Island & took pictures. We
 got to Port Angeles about 12:05 & drove
 right down to the ferry dock. I went in
 & inquired about the ferry to Victoria &
 was disappointed to learn that the next

Ferry didn't leave until 3:30 & it was an hour & 40 min. ride across to Victoria - then the returning ferry left Victoria at 6:30 which meant we would only have a little more than an hour in Victoria & it would take most of that time to get thru custom. The rates were \$6.04 for car & \$2.34 for each person round trip. We decided not to wait as it would mean getting home around or after mid-night. There are only two ferries each day one at 9:30 & the other at 3:30 - I still don't know why some one in Aberdeen didn't know that so we would have known how to plan our trip. - We continued on around the loop as they call it & thought we would take a ferry over to Seattle - could see Mr. Baker in the distance most of the way along the northern part of the loop. Had a good view of the Olympian Peaks on most of the trip. Drove down along the Hood Canal - Mr. Carey showed us the road on which the Mc Donalds live - the lady who wrote "The Egg & I" - we drove back up along the mountain & I took several pictures showing the locale for "The Egg & I". We also drove up in to the Ranch, - Frank Thompson's, where Mr. & Mrs. Carey used to

visit - took several pictures - it was very
 back in the woods - the time when we just
 we had to give up our idea of going to
 Seattle & stuck straight down for Olympia -
 Mother & Mary wanted to get there in time
 to do some shopping. Stopped for some lunch
 at a little place along the highway. Dorothy
 wanted to stop in & have a rest some of
 her friends at a little town & then killed
 some more time - luckily the folks weren't home.
 Finally got to Olympia about 4:45 & the
 store closed at 5:30 so that gave the girls
 some time to shop. We let them off down
 town - Dorothy & Jack went with me & we
 drove back on the hill to get some pictures of
 the Capital Buildings & also of Mt. Rainier
 in the distance. It was amazing to me
 that you could see Mt. Rainier so far
 away - it is 50 miles from Olympia. The
 city of Olympia is the capital of Washington -
 they have a lovely capital building - it is
 patterned after the Capital at Wash. D.C. After
 we picked up Mrs. Carey, Mother & Mary - we
 drove all around the Capital grounds - Johnnie
 & I got some pictures. Oh yes! I called
 Dean Newhouse ^{at Seattle} from Olympia & told

him I planned to drive over to-morrow. He had planned to go out of town & was sorry he couldn't see me. I sure have tough luck making my plans for Seattle. After seeing the Capital we drove around to the Olympia Oyster Bar for some of the famous Olympia Oyster & was disappointed to learn they weren't serving oysters due to the fact they were repairing the oyster beds. We did have some seafood for dinner. It was just a small place - but recommended by Duncan Hines. After eating Jack drove us around or rather Dorothy - I let her drive - to meet the Wforbes - Mr. & Mrs. Wforbes are the parents of Jim's wife, Dorothy's brother. They have a home right down on Butler's Cove - I got a good picture of Mrs. Rainier over the water. From there we drove on up the hill a mile or so to brother Jim's farm, Carey Acres - Jim was disk'ing his peach orchard with the new Fordson Tractor he had gotten just last Thursday. He sure was proud of it - got a picture of Jim on his tractor. We all went in the house to meet Pat & the two children Wforsha & Carolyn - two cute little girls. I got a few pictures but it was getting very late & there wasn't enough light. Jim showed

in around his farm - it is only 20 acres - most
 of it in pine & birch - it seemed he had a
 little of everything & not much of any one thing.
 Terribly old set of buildings - I really don't see
 how he could make a living on the place.
 Didn't leave there until about 8:30 to drive
 back to Aberdeen - Dolly drove all the way
 back - Jack & I sat on the front seat & slept
 most of the way. Got home about 9:30 -
 spent quite some time getting caught up
 on my notes - I felt disappointed about not
 getting to see Victoria & told Mary I just
 wasn't going to get excited over it & seeing
 Santa & that I planned to drive on to-
 morrow afternoon - she tried to talk me out
 of it so I said I would see how I felt about
 it to-morrow. To-bed 11:15.

6/22/47 SUNDAY:

A dull hazy morning in Aberdeen - got
 up about 7:15 - didn't disturb Mary or
 Mother - got dressed & went out to get some
 pictures of Aberdeen which I hadn't gotten.
 Drove down town & got a movie of the
 "Welcome to Aberdeen" sign on the bridge -
 also several pictures of streets & one of

The City Hall where Jack works. Got back to
 the house about 9:00. Jack & Dorothy came
 over from Carey's about 9:30 - Dorothy got
 breakfast for me - after bk. I decided to
 get dressed up & to drive over to Seattle
 this afternoon. I didn't want to go back
 home & had to say I missed Victoria, Vancouver
 & Seattle too. Called Mrs. Carey about 10:15
 & asked her to come over so I could take
 some pictures. She was a good sport & came
 right over - took quite a few pictures of
 all the folks in front of Dorothy & Jack's
 house. Also took some color pictures of them
 in the Rose Garden in the park just across
 from the house. Mrs. Carey kidded me about
 looking like the picture she had seen of me
 with my suit on. I had worn sport shirt
 & trousers ever since I arrived & she had
 never seen any pictures of me in sport
 clothes. Mary decided to ride to Seattle with
 me & I sure was glad. We left about 12:00,
 Mrs. Carey said she would have dinner at 6:00
 & wanted us to be sure to be back by that time.
 We realized it would be a hard drive as
 it is 110 miles & on Sunday there is a lot
 of traffic. I drove right along & made it

to the City Limit of Seattle by 2:10 - stopped down town at a little hotel & called Art Brambach - I thought he might be able to show us around the city but he was about to leave for a wedding party. Had a nice chat with him - he told me he had received a wire announcing Mr. Kirt's death & that further instructions would be issued later. I asked Art whether he thought Kirt's death would effect the date for the 100% Club & he said it shouldn't effect anything - that IBM for the good of the organization & the people in it had to be bigger than any one or even two men. Art plans to come to the 100% Club in Endicott in August. Mary & I drove on across town - stopped by to have a look at the IBM Office & I took a picture. Had to drive all the way across town to get the Washington Univ. Campus - it wasn't nearly as nice a campus as we had expected, however they have some lovely buildings & there is quite a lot of construction under way. Seattle is a very large sea-port - so I wanted to get a picture of the docks. We drove down to the water front & stopped in a place to get some cards since it had a neon sign on the window which read CARDS - it turned

out to be a volume & the sign mean they
 allowed card playing. It was a very tough
 neighborhood such as you would expect on the
 water front of a large sea-port. Drove by the
 Boeing Aircraft Plant in Seattle - left for
 Aberdeen about 4:00 - how the time did
 fly - we meant to leave by 3:30. Stayed
 near Tacoma & took a picture of Fort Lewis.
 Mary wanted it to show Mrs. Ramsey &
 Lillie Watson - Jack Watson was stationed at
 Fort Lewis or rather Ben Brown, Mrs.
 Watson's daughter's husband was stationed there
 during the war. I drove as fast as possible
 but got in quite a bit of traffic. It was
 about 6:45 when we got back to Mrs. Carey's &
 I was glad to leave she wasn't waiting for
 us. She said she had planned dinner for 7:00
 since she knew we couldn't make it by 6:00. I
 thought that was damn nice of her. She had us
 all over to her home for dinner & had home
 made clam chowder & baked quinine salmon.
 Dorothy Aunt & Uncle Albin came over
 with their son Bob & his wife Janet & their
 little 2 yr. old son Lee to call. Mrs. Carey
 wanted some pictures of the dinner table &
 we all at the table so Bob went home

& got his flood light. I used the wide angle lens
 to get the picture & I hope I got something. Mrs.
 Carey had me sit at the head of the table &
 serve the salmon. The clam chowder & the
 salmon were both well. Mary & I hadn't taken
 time to get lunch so we were really hungry.
 After dinner I visited with the folks for awhile &
 then Stan & Jack rode down to Stan's gas
 station "76 Union Gas" with me & we got the
 car all geared up ready to start the trip
 home in the morning. The drive to Seattle to-
 day put the mileage over the 7000 mark since
 we left home. It will surely be over 10,000 by
 the time we get home. Stopped in a drug store
 & got a bottle of C as a little gift for
 Mrs. Carey. When I got back to the home Jack
 & Stan helped me pack & load the canned clam
 & salmon in the car. There were 17 junks of salmon
 & 13 junks of clam & then Mrs. Carey put in
 6 junks of jelly to make it just 3 doz. so there
 were 3 - One dozen can boxes. I put them on
 the bottom of the trunk & I hope they ride OK there.
 We visited with the Careys until about 11:00
 & then said our good-bys & returned to Jack
 & Dorothy's home - to turn in - had quite a
 little packing & getting things to get before

I finally got to bed about 11:45. I have to think that to-morrow we had to start hitting the trail again.

6/23/47 MONDAY:

A foggy, hazy morning in Aberdeen, got up about 5:30 to be off for Endicott by 6:30. Had quite a job getting the car all packed - tried to load it so I wouldn't have to take everything out every night. Dorothy & Jack came over about 6:15, fixed us some coffee & toast. Mrs. Carey came over to see us off - I got a couple of pictures. We sure did enjoy our visit with the Careys & with Johnnie - in fact Npton, Mary & I were all much impressed with the attention we had received. They sure had gone to a lot of work to show us a good time & we were most appreciative of it. - It was 6:45 when we left & hit the trail for home. Had quite a gab session exchanging notes on our impressions of the Careys - they were all very nice. Took Route #410 in to Tacoma & on thru to Mount Rainier National Park. Got off the road a short distance over. It was quite hazy & we couldn't see Mt. Rainier at all on our

way over from Aberdeen. I was quite concerned
 about not being able to get the picture of Mt.
 Rainier that I had hoped to get. However by
 the time we got into the park about 9:45 it
 had cleared off & was the most beautiful weather
 imaginable. Big fluffy white clouds & deep
 blue sky - giving a perfect setting for the snow
 capped Mt. Rainier - elevation 14,408'. I was
 simply thrilled with the scenery - I had ~~my~~ drive
 most of the way up over Chinook Pass -
 (elevation 6440') so I could be free to take
 pictures. It was sure beautiful - nothing had
 impressed me so much on the trip as did
 Mt. Rainier. There was a lot of snow along
 the road which added to the beauty of the
 scenery. After leaving the Park we drove thru
 the Naches Pass & we were all most sur-
 prised to see, just a short distance (15 to 20
 miles) from the park we dropped down into
 the valley where it was very warm & the
 hills had absolutely no vegetation on them.
 Followed Route #410 on in to Yakima - got
 there just at 12:00, stopped at Wardell's
 Restaurant (rec. by Duncan Hines) for lunch.
 Did a little shopping for cards - got the
 car gassed up & hit the trail again -

North on Route #17 to Ellensburg. It is only
 a small town but it rather 3rd. in Rodas
 according to a local yord. Stopped there &
 got some fruit to eat - apples & cherries -
 got a picture of John & Mary sitting in front of
 the little grocery store. Took route #10 & #7
 from Ellensburg north & east to Grand Coulee
 Dam - I did the driving & burned all I
 could so we might reach the Dam in time
 for the lecture. We were all surprised to
 see how desolate the country is across the
 central part of the state of Washington - it was
 all a desert - much the same as southern
 California & New Mexico. It's no wonder they
 are working on an irrigation system along
 with the Grand Coulee Dam. - Stopped
 at the Ginkgo Petrified Forest for a few
 minutes & got a couple of pictures. - We
 heard on the car radio the news report
 of the terrible flood in the middle West &
 a great blizzard in Yellowstone Park - 3 people
 killed - suffocated in a car covered by a snow
 slide. - Also stopped at the Dry Falls
 State Park & got a picture of the Dry Falls
 a very unusual spectacle! It was a long
 drive across the Grand Coulee Dam & even

with fairly good roads it took us until 5:00 to
 reach the Dam. We were very disappointed
 to learn that they closed the Dam to visitors
 at 4:30 - The hours for trip down into the
 power house & lectures on the dam were from
 9:00 to 4:30. I should think they would extend
 the hour until at least 5:30 for tourists.
 We did have a good look at the outside of the
 Dam - it sure is quite a piece of engineering but
 no more so than Hoover Dam. Actually I had
 expected it to be larger from what Mrs. Carey
 had told us, she raved so about Grand Coulee Dam.
 Actually we didn't get a chance to learn of some
 of its main features since we missed the lecture.
 Did some shopping for souvenirs & cards
 & left about 5:45 for Spokane - Mary drove
 to relieve me - She & Mother had slept
 most of the way across the desert this after-
 noon. I drove thru some very nice farming
 country - quite a contrast to the desert. Stopped
 just outside of Spokane for gas & tried to call
 Ralph & Della's Aunt Rose, Mrs. Frank Thomas,
 but no one answered. I drove on thru Spokane
 & started looking for a hotel to spend the
 night. It was nearly 8:00 & getting dark -
 plenty of hotels but most of them were filled

I had NO VACANCY SIGNS out. We were afraid
 we had left it too late but finally located
 accomodation at "Eastwood Courts" it was only
 fair - a small home keepng set-up - with
 a single bed in the kitchen. We didn't like
 it but we couldn't be choosie so we took it.
 Checked in & then drove back to the TOP HAT
 Dine-in for some supper. I called Aunt Rose's
 number again & got her. She had been ex-
 pecting me & wanted me to stop over. So as
 soon as we finished eating we looked up her
 home. It wasn't far from where we are
 staying. Had a nice visit with Aunt Rose
 in her little home. She had thought we
 would be in Spokane for a day & had
 planned to have a chicken dinner for us &
 also have some friends in for the evening.
 I explained we were in a hurry to get back
 for Mr. Kirt's funeral & couldn't extend our trip
 any. She seemed quite disappointed that we
 weren't staying to see some of the Beauty spots
 of Spokane. She told me about her trip West
 by Greyhound Bus - I was surprised to learn
 that you can go from Spokane to Endicott
 & return by the way of Los Angeles to Spokane
 for \$84.00. That sure is reasonable when you
 think we will spend about ~~7.00~~ \$180.00 for gas

alone for our trip. Got back to our room about 10:15 stopped & got some fruit to eat. We all wrote some cards back to the old routine again - after a few days at Aberdeen. Mary & Mother turned in about 11:00 - I turned in about 11:30. Made 505 miles to-day which is a good start on our trip home considering we did quite a bit of ~~the~~ sight seeing.

6/24/47 TUESDAY:

A beautiful morning in Spokane - got up at 6:00 & already the sun was high in the sky. Mother & Mary were pretty tired this morning & were slow getting around. We are getting road weary already, I'm afraid we will be in bad shape by the time we get home. We checked out of Eastwood Court about 6:45 & hit the trail for Yellowstone - it was a swell day for driving - not too hot but bright & sunny all day. Took Route #10 East to Pinola Montana - drove across the Northern Tip of Idaho. Mother & Mary started the day out by taking a nap in the car. Drove about 80 miles before stopping for bk. at a little cafe. Mary drove the car for awhile after bk. & I read the booklet on Grand Coulee Dam, which I had gotten yesterday, to

Mother & Mary. Learned that the Grand Coulee
 Dam Project is much larger than I had im-
 agined. The Dam itself is three times the
 size of Hoover Dam & beside the water power
 there is an even larger job being done on the
 installation of pumps & the construction of canals
 to irrigate over a million acres of the lava
 plains of central Washington. It will be 15 to
 20 years before the entire project is completed.
 I was sorry we missed seeing the Dam at
 night - they say it is even more impressive
 under artificial lighting. If we ever come
 again I shall stay over to really have a
 good look at the Dam. It really is a
 tremendous Engineering Feat. - Drove thru
 beautiful green country most of the morning,
 went over Lookout Pass, elevation 4738' - got
 into Missoula about 11:30 on time but we
 had passed from the Pacific to the Rocky
 Mountain Time Zone so we had lost an hour &
 it was 12:30. We had decided to get another
 color movie film to get some movies of Yellow-
 stone Park - I went in on a half dozen
 stores but couldn't get any - all the stores
 carrying film were out of 8 m.m. color. I doubt
 whether there was any left in town. We had

lunch at the Florence Hotel Coffee Shop,
recommended by Duncan Hines. Left about 2:00
for Yellowstone - listened to several news
reports on the radio but heard no further
reports on the blizzard in Yellowstone Park.
Took Route #10 on thru to Butte Montana

Stayed in Butte & tried at about a dozen
different stores to get a colored movie film & was
terribly disappointed that I couldn't get one. Inquired
at a gas station about the fresh blizzard in
Yellowstone & learned it was only up in the North
East corner in Cooke's Park where the elevation is
over 11,000'. We were going in the West Entrance
& out the Eastern one so it didn't affect us.

It was about 6:00 when we left Butte & we
noticed most of the Hotels were already putting out
No Vacancy signs however it was 160 miles to
Yellowstone Park & we wanted to get in nearer
the park before turning in so we could get in
the park early in the morning. Drove thru
a lot of very desolate country - no towns for
miles & no sign of habitation. Didn't see
much of anything that looked like accommodation
for tourists. We finally stopped at a nice new
Cape & Cabin set-up - called Spoutman Lodge,
just outside of the little town of Ennis.

It was then about 7:15 & they were filled
 for the night, however the girl called a couple
 of other places & they were filled too - so she
 called her Aunt who lived 35 miles down
 the road & found she had cabins available, so I
 had reserve accommodation for the 3 of us. Took
 a chance on their being OK. We stayed at
 Sportsman's Lodge for dinner - service was very
 slow so we didn't get out & on the road
 again until after 8:30. It was beginning to
 get dark & by the time we had driven a few
 miles it was really dark. The period of dusk
 out here is very short. After dark it was
 difficult to read what signs there were along
 the road & since we didn't know just what
 the place looked like that we were looking for
 we were in quite a quandary. - drove by one
 place & then thought it might be Hatching
 Cabin the place we were looking for. At this
 point we discovered we were just about out
 of gas & no town within 35 or 40 miles in
 either direction. We didn't know whether to
 turn back a few miles to the place we saw
 or go on & enter with very little gas it
 was almost a major decision. Mary &
 Mother were almost panicky for fear we

would have to sleep in our car or walk for gas. Decided to go back & inquire - it was only a small ranch house & the rancher told me Hutchinson was about 8 mi. on down the road & that there was a gas pump at the place. That sure was good news to me. - We hurried on & finally located the place about 9:20. It was just another old Ranch House & the cabins were anything but modern. The lady showed us a large double cabin with 2 double beds for \$3.50 for the three of us & a single one for Mother for \$2.00. They were right along a brook & the single one was some distance from the double one so Mother decided she would bunk in with us. There were no toilet facilities - had to go down a little board walk to the "john" & draw water from a faucet back of the house. I got a pitcher of water & helped Mother start the little pot-belly stove in our cabin. Evenings are very cool out here & it sure felt good. We had some fun kidding about the draw curtain between the beds - called it "The Walls of Jerico". As usual Mary turned in early about 10:30. Mother & I wrote some cards & I wrote some of these notes. The star had really heated up the place & it was very cozy. TURNED IN about 11:15.

6/25/47 WEDNESDAY:

A beautiful day for our tour of Yellowstone Park - got up about 6:45 - slept a bit later than usual as the man at the house we said the park didn't open until 8:00. Started a fire in the pot-belly stove to take the chill off the cabin & also to heat some water to shower with. The chickens were walking all around the place when I came out - some real ranch atmosphere. I took a couple of pictures of our cabin - got one of Mother coming out of the little out house - she was really nice to me - said she wouldn't let me take any more pictures of her & she wouldn't take any of my's. I wasn't too concerned about her being mad for I knew she would soon get over it. Got ten gallons of gas from the ranch before leaving about 7:30 for West Yellowstone. It was 38 miles - had breakfast & got the car geared up before entering the park. I made a last frantic attempt to get an 8 m.m. color film but places in West Yellowstone that sold film had no 8 m.m. movie film. Gee! I was disappointed, for it was a beautiful day & I had planned to get movies of the bear & Old Faithful in Yellowstone. Consider myself boy

Thinking I would at least get some good color slides. It was 9:30 when we finally drove in the West Entrance of Yellowstone Park. I let Mary drive in & I got a picture of her coming thru the gate. We noticed on a sign that the park opened at 7:00 instead of 8:00. Had we known that I would have gotten around earlier. It was a shame we didn't get in the park earlier as it was a beautiful morning. I was surprised to find so much traffic in the park - the man at the gas station told us that there had been over 32,000 to visit the Park so far this year & that the daily traffic was reaching almost record height & the real height of the season isn't until late July & early August. It is certainly going to be a record year for the tourist business. I almost wish I had some kind of business which catered to the tourist trade. — The roads in the park were good & they allow you to drive 45 mi/hr. most places, however you can't make any time due to the traffic — & some of the cars with trailers just moving along. We drove in to Madison Junction & there turned North to Norris Junction to see the points of interest listed on the map in the Hagen Guide which I had gotten before entering the park. I wished

I had seen the guide earlier I would have
 come in the Northern Entrance of the Park &
 saved doubling back from Yonin Junction to
 Madison Junction. As it was we missed seeing
 the Mammoth Hot Springs which is just south
 of the North Entrance. The first real point of
 interest was the Beryl Spring, a very im-
 pressive hot bubbling spring sporting hissing
 steam which smelled of sulphur fumes. It was
 the first I had ever seen anything like it &
 it sure was fascinating. Harned on to the
 Norris Geyser Basin & Artist Point Poi-
 was fascinated even more with the many
 geysers & the bubbling mud. There sure were a
 lot of tourists taking in all the points of
 interest in the park & most of them had
 cameras - however I didn't see anyone equipped
 with two Lenses. At Yonin Junction we doubled
 back to Madison Junction & took the road
 around the lower loop - got right in the middle
 of a procession of sight seeing busses - about 8 bus
 loads of people, from some train I suppose.
 We saw a couple of ~~the~~ buffalo grazing out on
 one of the meadows - stopped & had a good look
 at them thru the binocular. I understand there
 are over a thousand buffalo in the park, but

we saw only these two. Drove on & stopped at first the Lower Geyser Basin & then Midway Geyser Basin - they were very much alike - numerous geysers & boiling mud pots with board walks arranged so you could walk out over the cooled lava like soil & water to vantage points to view the geysers at close range. I had a real picnic taking pictures - the sun & sky were just right & with such unusual sights it sure was a thrill for me. However there were so many geysers that they soon became common place - in fact Mother & Mary wouldn't even bother to get out of the car to see some of them. - It really is an amazing thing - you have to see it almost to believe it - hot steaming water coming out of the ground all over the place. You could see places along the road & along the river where steam was coming out of the ground. Some of these at times were, I suppose, small geysers. I was surprised to learn that there are two geysers in the park that are even larger than Old Faithful but they erupt much less frequently & at irregular intervals. The larger one which erupts to a height 50' higher than Old Faithful erupts only every 6 to 16 days. We had a good look at the well

Snow-Morning Glory Pool - We each threw a coin
 in & made a wish. A sign at the pool said
 that this was the only pool in the park with a
 bank account - it erupted recently & threw
 out \$289.⁰⁰ which had been tossed in by tourists.
 Drove on to the Upper Geyser Basin & Old
 Faithful Inn - which is a beautiful place - it
 was about 1:00 & Old Faithful wasn't due to
 erupt again until about 1:45 so we did some
 shopping for cards & souvenirs. Walked out to
 see Old Faithful about 1:30 - It erupts every
 66 minutes - I was due about 1:40. There were
 several hundred people gathered around to see
 the spectacle - many of them I suppose, like
 myself, there to witness it for the first time.
 Mother & Mary had seen it when they were
 out to Yellowstone in 1934. Mother went very
 close & sat on one of the logs to watch it. Mary
 & I went back some distance so we could get
 the whole thing in the picture. Mary took a
 couple pictures with the Leica loaded with Black
 & White Film & I got a couple of color slides.
 There were dozens of people standing around with
 cameras. Old Faithful put on a grand show
 for us & the sun was just right for the
 pictures I should have some swell pictures.

The eruption only lasts about a minute or two
 & is at its peak only for a few seconds. We
 had time however to each get a couple of pictures.
 Walked back to the Inn & had a sandwich for
 lunch. Took some pictures & shopped for souvenirs.
 Then about 2:30 we started on around the loop.
 Old Faithful was about due to erupt again but
 we were in a rush to get up to the Grand
 Canyon of the Yellowstone so we didn't wait. It
 had begun to cloud up some so I wasn't in-
 terested in getting another picture. We hadn't
 driven far before we saw some cars parked along
 the road & sure enough there was a big black
 bear up by one of the cars. Mary was driving -
 she stopped & I jumped out with my camera to
 get some pictures. The old Mother Bear had two
 little cubs with her - The ideal set-up for
 pictures. I sure got all excited - it was a real
 thrill. I got several pictures - was so excited I
 forgot that the rules of the park prohibit feeding
 the bear & I had Mary hand me some pea-nut
 brittle to toss to the bear. In about two minutes
 there was a regular traffic jam - everyone stopped
 to see the bear. The cubs ran off into the woods
 & the old bear followed. I was sure glad we got to
 see at least 3 bears. Drove on up around Yellow-

Stone Lake - it cleared off again & the lake was
 sure beautiful - on every turn of the road you saw
 another beautiful picture. I took several pictures. Drove
 on up past Lake Junction & stopped at the Mud
 Volcano & Dragons Mouth Spring, both amazing sights.
 It began looking very stormy & even rained a few big
 drops. Gee! I sure was disappointed for I wanted to
 get a couple nice color pictures of the Grand Canyon of
 the Yellowstone. It was about 5:30 by the time
 we got up to the falls & the canyon. Stopped &
 took a picture of the Upper Falls & then drove on to
 Inspiration Point - walked out on the cat walk to
 the observation platform over looking the Canyon. Oh!
 What a gorgeous sight, but what a disappointment for me -
 it had clouded over & there was absolutely no sun - it
 even rained a little, however most of the clouds were
 just wind clouds, for it blew almost a hurricane - it
 was really dangerous to stand out there on the
 observation platform. Mother & Mary hurried back to the
 car - I was really afraid the wind might blow the
 camera out of my hand so I took a couple of shots
 & got out of there. What terrible condition under which
 to take pictures. We started back down the loop &
 made a couple of stops along the Canyon. Drove in
 to Artist Point & by this time the sun came
 out again. I got my camera & hurriedly took a

couple of stops before it went under the clouds again. Got one
with a rainbow over the Canyon which should be really grand.
It was nearly 6:00 so we stopped in the Canyon Lodge thinking
we would have dinner there in the Coffee Shop - did some
shopping in the souvenir shop - got an Indian Sewing Bag for
Mrs. De Venti & a Mexican Painted Plate. There were too many
lined up waiting to get in the Coffee Shop so we had a soda
at the fountain & decided to wait later to eat dinner. Drove
on back to Lake Junction - made a couple of stops to see
things we missed on our way up. At Lake Junction we took
the road out to the East Entrance - stopped at Fisherman's
Bridge to get a couple of pictures & stopped in the large cafeteria
there for supper. Mary drove the 27 miles out to the East
Entrance of the Park - it was almost 8:00 by the time we
left the Park. It was pretty near dark but I took a
couple of pictures of Mary driving out of the gate. Stopped a little
way out of the park & got the car gassed up. Looked at a cabin
but decided to drive on thru to Cody - a distance of about
53 miles. It soon got dark, but it was a little sandy to see
the road under night conditions. I drove & we really made
good time - got into Cody about 9:15 - we drove by the
Shoshone Reservoir & thru the Canyon by the Shoshone Dam.
I never had driven over such narrow winding road & thru so
many tunnels. We stopped & took a look at the dam, but
it was too dark to see much. I was sorry we couldn't
have seen it by day light for I imagine it is really quite
a sight. The Shoshone Dam is one of the biggest dams
in the world. We found all the Motel & Tourist Coun-
ciller - stopped at one to inquire & the man there called a
Tourist home in town - he even rode in to town with us
to show us the place. It was a new house in a new
development & the lady had fixed up a couple of rooms
in the basement - one room was taken & she offered to

put a cot in the other one for me. It was a very nice clean place & she only asked \$5.00 so we decided to take it as it was too late to be choosy & we were all pretty tired. We were surprised to learn there was a family of 5 in the other room. Had to wait awhile for the roll-away bed which the man at the house had to get from the Tourist Court for Mother. Mother didn't seem at all happy with the set-up, as a matter of fact none of us liked it but what bothered me was the fact that Mother indicated she thought I should sleep on the little roll-away bed - I thought it was quite a concession to allow her to sleep in our room without the further concession of giving up my bed with my wife. I made a vow right then that we wouldn't accept such a set-up again. After this we are going to keep looking until we can locate two rooms or two cabins. After we finally got settled I wrote some cards

* & after Mother & Mary had retired I loaded a film cartridge. To bed 11:30 - really much too late.

(Mother always writes cards for about an hour every night.)

